

# MONTHLY Feature

## 2020 MDA CLINICAL & SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

### 70 Years of MDA, Unprecedented Research Advancements, and Clinical Achievements



The 2020 MDA Clinical & Scientific Conference returns to Orlando, Fla., this March 22-25 and recognizes MDA's 70th year creating more hope and answers for families living with muscular dystrophy and related diseases. With more than 20 sessions and 100 speakers, the conference is a unique opportunity for the scientific, clinical research and clinical practice communities to come together to learn and exchange ideas.

#### Stellar Sessions

MDA's Scientific Planning Committee and Clinical Education Committee have curated an unparalleled agenda filled with content that is timely and relevant to our professional community.

This year's lineup of CME-certified\*, physician-led sessions includes:

#### When Gut Feelings Aren't Helping — Navigating Complicated Ethics in the Neuromuscular Clinic

• **Session Chair:** John Brandsema, MD

#### Implications of NBS in Clinical Practice — What Does the Future Hold?

• **Session Chair:** R. Rodney Howell, MD

#### Lab to Life: What's New in ALS & CMT, Molecular Pathways, Mutations, Phenotype-Genotype Correlations

• **Session Chairs:** Matthew Harms, MD; Robert Baloh, MD, PhD; and Michael Shy, MD

#### REGISTER TODAY

Register [here](#) for the 2020 MDA Clinical & Scientific Conference. Find more information about the conference, including the full agenda at [mdaconference.org](#).

#### Lab to Life: What's New in DM, LGMD, FSHD (Autosomal Dominant Subtypes): Molecular Pathways, Mutations, Phenotype-Genotype Correlations

• **Session Chairs:** Katherine Mathews, MD, and Charles Thornton, MD

#### New Workshops

New this year, pre-conference workshops on March 22 are designed specifically for physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists, social workers, and other clinicians. Allied health and primary care providers are invited to register for these CME-certified\* workshops led by experts in the field:

#### PT & OT Best Practices: Updates in ALS, CMT, DMD, SMA

• **Chairs:** Gabrielle Steinhorn, PT, DPT, NCS, and Allan Glanzman, PT, DPT, PCS

#### Best Practices in Communication & Swallowing in NMD

• **Chairs:** Angela Strauch Lane, MS, CCC-SLP, and Donna Tippet, MPH, MA, CCC-SLP

#### Respiratory Manifestations of Neuromuscular Diseases

• **Chairs:** Barbara Smith, PT, PhD, and John Hansen-Flaschen, MD

#### Social Work & Mental Health Considerations in NMD

• **Chairs:** Sarah Stoney, MSW, LSW, and Diane Murrell, LCSW

There is no additional fee to attend the workshops, but registration is required.

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