19th Annual Patient Congress: Amplifying the Patient Voice

September 26 – 28, 2018
Hyatt House, The WHARF | Potomac Room
725 Wharf Street SW | Washington DC

Event Objectives
1. To tell our stories publicly in a way that highlights the reality of the patient experience
2. To engage with our legislators and promote patient-centered care
3. To learn about engagement opportunities that PAF and NPAF have for volunteers
4. To make a strategic plan for bringing new skills back to our communities

Agenda

**Wednesday, September 26th**
*Hyatt House - Potomac Room*

11:00 - 1:00 Registration

1:00 – 1:30 Lunch with Welcome, Opening Remarks and Introductions
   *Gwen Darien and Rebecca Kirch*

1:30 – 2:00 Community Engagement in Action: Stories from the Frontlines
   *Shonta Chambers*

2:00 -3:00 Story Skills Training: Using Stories for Advocacy & Story Practice
   *Chris Wilson*

3:00 - 3:15 Break

3:15 – 4:30 Issue SLAM Policy Overview
   *Nicole Braccio and Melissa Williams*
4:30 – 5:30  Grassroots Advocacy Skills Development with Hill Day Prep: Using the power of your story to press policy makers on person-centered care
  
  *Molly Daniels, Daniels Advocacy Group*

  *Hill Meeting schedules will be distributed immediately after the session*

5:30 - 7:00  Networking Reception (Dinner on your own)
  
  *Remarks by Alan Balch, CEO*

**Thursday, September 27th**

*Hyatt House Potomac Room – Breakfast Available from 7:30am*

8:00 – 8:30  Training Refresher, Review of Day’s Agenda and Story SLAM Sendoff
  
  *Hill Meeting Folders will be distributed to teams with any schedule changes*

8:30 – 9:00  Travel to Capitol Hill – Rayburn House Office Building, Room 2226

9:00 - 12:00  Story SLAM – Rayburn House Office Building, Room 2226

12:00 - 4:30  Visits with Congressional Offices on Capitol Hill

6:00 – 6:45  Cocktail Reception, Hyatt House Bar

7:00 - 9:30  Annual Advocate Celebration and Award Dinner, Hyatt House Potomac Room

**Friday, September 28th**

*Hyatt House Potomac Room - Breakfast available from 7:30 – 9 am*

9:00 – 9:30  Patient Advocate Foundation Volunteer Opportunities and Engagement
  
  *Shawn Nason*

9:30 – 10:00  Taking it Home to Your Community: Grassroots Engagement Opportunities on the Frontlines
  
  *Donna Guinn, Sheila Stickel, Faye Hollowell & Lisa Miller*

10:00 – 10:50  Community Engagement Grassroots Discussion and Strategic Planning
  
  *Donna Guinn & Sheila Stickel*

10:50 – 11:00  Closing Remarks