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- Podiatry Issues and Sjögren’s
- Hope for the Future: Research Update

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Refund requests must be made in writing. Registrants whose written requests are received by March 22nd will receive a 75% refund. After that time, we are sorry that no refunds can be made.

Dietary Requests: Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate all special dietary requirements. We can accommodate vegetarian or gluten-free dietary requests. If you require a vegetarian or gluten-free meal option, please contact Stephanie Bonner at the SSF office (301-530-4420, ext. 214) by April 2nd.

A limited number of rooms are available at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda (One Bethesda Metro Center, Bethesda, MD 20814) at the SSF rate of $129 per night plus tax if reservations are made by March 16, 2013. Call the toll-free hotel Central Reservations number at 888-421-1442 or call the Hyatt Regency Bethesda directly at 301-657-1234 and refer to the group name “Sjögren’s Syndrome Foundation” for the discounted rate.

The Hyatt Regency Bethesda is approximately 18 miles from the Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. The hotel does not provide a shuttle service. However, there is direct Metro subway access below the hotel at Fort McNair (Metro-National Airport Red Line/Lincoln Center Station). Alternative transportation suggests Taxi Fare: $38 (one way).

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8:00am – 8:30am Early Registration and Welcome Reception

9:00am Welcome and Opening Remarks

10:00am Overview of Sjögren’s Syndrome

11:00am Panelists’ Forum with Sjögren’s care team including a perspective from a caregiver, a patient and a medical professional

12:30pm Lunch and Exhibits

2:00pm Break and Exhibits

2:30pm Symposium: Sex and Living with Sjögren’s

3:15pm Hope for the Future: Research Updates

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**Friday, April 12, 2013**

9:00am  Registration and Exhibits Area Open

11:00am  Welcome and Opening Remarks

1:30pm  Dr. Steve and Signers  Miss Moira Gomolin, MD, in Association. Professor of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia. Dr. Gomolin will provide a comprehensive overview of the signs of Sjögren’s and Sjögren’s patients experience, regrettably their causes, and the practical steps for managing them.

3:00pm  Brunch and Exhibits

12:00 noon  Lunch and Exhibits

**Saturday, April 13, 2013**

8:00am  Breakfast on your own

9:00am  Steven E. Carsons, MD, FACR, is Chief of the Division of Ophthalmology, William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan. Dr. Carsons is an experienced cataract micro-surgeon and is actively involved in lecturing and teaching surgery to the residents. He is also Director of the Center for Ocular Surface Research and Treatment at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He is also an Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Michigan. Dr. Carsons will discuss current and emerging biological agents that may provide promise in the treatment of Sjögren’s and Sjögren’s related ailments. Dr. Carsons has published extensively in the areas of Sjögren’s and related ocular disorders.

10:00am  Campfires and Patents: A Perspective on Sjögren’s  Join us for a family-oriented evening to enjoy our natural beauty, discuss and participate in the activities of both day and evening.

11:00am  Lunch and Exhibits

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