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Dear Summit Attendees:

Welcome to Paralyzed Veterans of America’s 11th Healthcare Summit and Expo in Orlando! We are excited to see you and bring you the latest in spinal cord injury and disorder research, science, and technology.

In addition to over 60 breakout sessions and five celebrated speakers, we have many exciting new things planned over the next three days. We have five product theaters (three more than last year), 24 poster presentations, and an opening keynote address by a world-renowned surgeon and researcher who works with biomarkers to predict the severity of spinal cord injury. We also have discussions about the future healthcare workforce (as it relates to MS) and the U.S. National ALS registry—two neurological diseases that PVA has made great strides in over the past year and hopes to have an even greater impact on soon. To help kick off this year’s Summit, we secured over 70 exhibitors, who are here to showcase cutting-edge technology and information to help those with SCI/D.

The goal of PVA’s Healthcare Summit + Expo is two-fold: it is to bring you the most updated information, state of the art research, and emerging science in the field of SCI/D; and also to expand your knowledge, provide you continuing education credits, create a forum to network, and share best practices. We do this every year to help you better care for our Veterans with SCI/D and diseases, like MS and ALS, living in your communities.

As a proud U.S. Army Veteran, who was paralyzed roughly 30 years ago following a diving accident while on active-duty, I know the impact this Summit and each of you have on my daily life. And as a longtime PVA member-turned leader, who has attended countless PVA Healthcare Summits over the years, I know the wealth of knowledge this event provides long after it is over. I hope each of you walks away more inspired, more energized, and more informed than when you arrived.

In closing, thank you for your support and attendance this year. More importantly, thank you for your commitment to helping Veterans with SCI/D, MS, and ALS, and providing the very best in specialized care—both at the VA and the rehabilitation centers and clinics across the country. A special thank you also to all those who helped make this Summit possible—our PVA staff and Chapters, volunteers, exhibitors, and generous sponsors.

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PRESENTED BY:

Mark C. Cascione, MD
Medical Director
South Tampa Multiple Sclerosis Center
Tampa, Florida

August 15, 2023
12:00 PM – 12:45 PM ET
Location: Track 2
Come visit us in Booth 201
The Paralyzed Veterans of America Healthcare Summit+Expo has gone mobile!

The app is the go-to resource for information about events, speakers and more. It offers real-time schedule updates, product theater time and topics, and an expo floor plan for locating exhibitors/sponsors. Important notifications will be sent out via the app throughout the event.

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Paralyzed Veterans of America established the Clinical Excellence Awards in 2013 to recognize clinicians for exceptional professional achievement, contributions and advocacy in Spinal Cord Injury/Disorder, Multiple Sclerosis (MS) and/or Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) healthcare.

Awards are given in six categories: Medicine, Nursing, Psychology, Nursing Leadership, Social Work, and Therapy. Recipients are nationally recognized in their profession, have demonstrated outstanding leadership, and demonstrate excellence in the care and/or advocacy for care of persons with Spinal Cord Injury/Disorders including MS and ALS.

**2023 Clinical Excellence Award winners**

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Carol M. Gibson-Gill, MD, MSCS, VHA-CM
Chief, Spinal Cord Injury and Disorders Service (128)
Director, VHA Multiple Sclerosis
Center of Excellence NJ Regional Hub
Director, ALS Program
Director, SCI/D,MS and ALS Clinical Research Program
Chair, Medical Records Committee
VA New Jersey Health Care System
Faculty, PM&R Dept, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School

**Therapist Award**
Cheryl Colantonio, COTA
Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
James A. Haley VA Medical Center

**Nurse Award**
Shawn Gallups, MSN, RN
Resident Assessment Coordinator/MDS
Spinal Cord Injury & Disorders Unit
Hampton VA Medical Center

**Social Worker Award**
Allyson Vanscoy, LCSW
Spinal Cord Injury Coordinator/Manager
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- Maximum of $20,000 for in-person or hybrid Conference & Symposia grants
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<td>Workshop 3: (PC-233) ALS: Start Here - A High-Yield Overview and Hands-on Workshop  &lt;br&gt;Speakers: Ileana Howard, MD; Susie Ryan-Coy, LICSW; &amp; Korren Rappisi, RRT BA</td>
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Speaker: Gary Farkas, PhD                                                             | (90 minutes) 2304) Becoming an Age-Friendly Health System for SCI Care  
Speakers: Sunil Sabharwal, MD; Andrea Swartz, MD, MPH & Maggie Budd, PhD, MPH, HEC-C, ABP          | (45 minutes) (2305) Building a Successful Regional Program within the VA MS Centers of Excellence  
Speaker: John Rinker, MD & Carolyn Bevan, MD                                              | (45 minutes) (2307) ALS HOPE and ALS CARE: Innovative Virtual Group Exercise Programs in the Veterans Health Administration  
Speaker: Virginia Kudritzki, DPT, CSRS & Heajun Chun, PTA                                      |
|              | (45 minutes) (2303) Nutrition and Eating Beliefs and Behaviors Among Individuals with SCI/D: Healthy or Misconceived?  
Speaker: Sherri LaVela, PhD                                                                | (45 minutes) (2306) Review of Current and Future MS Disease Modifying Drugs  
Speakers: Heidi Maloni, PhD, RN, ANP-BC, CNRN, MSCN & Mitchell Wallin, MD, MPH              | (45 minutes) (2308) A Field Guide to Exercising with ALS  
Speakers: Shane Chanpimol, PT, DPT, NCS & Robert Hand, PT, DPT, NCS                           |
|              | Moderator: Kenneth Lee, MD                                                                       | Moderator: Jeri Muse, PhD                                                                         | Moderator: Jodie Haselkorn, MD, MPH                                                                | Moderator: Alison Miller, OTR                                                                 |
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Un-Silencing “Silent” Progression: Novel Perspectives on Assessing Disability Early in MS  
Mark C. Cascione, MD, Medical Director, South Tampa Multiple Sclerosis Center, Tampa, Florida |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |
| 12:15 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  | Product Theater 2: First Nation Group - Track 3, Oceans 9-10  
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Mike DiCesare, President, ZEPHYRx  
Glenn Munroe, Senior Vice President of Business Development, First Nation Group |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                  |
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<td><em>(45 minutes) (2310)</em>* “Peer Experiences”: A New Model for Evidence-Based SCI Therapy Delivery&lt;br&gt;Speakers: Jacqueline LaBarbera, PT, DPT, NCS &amp; Lesley Fields, OTR/L</td>
<td><em>(45 minutes) (2312)</em>* Correlation Between Diet Quality and Body Fat Mass in Spinal Cord Injury&lt;br&gt;Speakers: Alicia Sneij, PhD, MS, RDN</td>
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<td><em>(45 minutes) (2318)</em>* Telemedicine in Providing Care to Veterans with Multiple Sclerosis Utilization and a Novel Nationwide Platform&lt;br&gt;Speakers: Carolyn Bevan, MD &amp; Mitchell Wallin, MD, MPH</td>
<td><em>(45 minutes) (2320)</em>* Is the Initial Forced Vital Capacity Associated with Psychological Distress in Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis?&lt;br&gt;Speakers: Catherine Wilson, PsyD., ABPP &amp; Elamin Elamin, MD, MSc.</td>
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<td><em>(45 minutes) (2319)</em>* Fingolimod-associated Rebound with Spine Lesions/Attacks After Discontinuation of Therapy in the Setting of Shingles+&lt;br&gt;Speakers: Michelle Ko, BA &amp; Eric Williamson, MD</td>
<td><em>(45 minutes) (2321)</em>* Life is a Breeze when you Help your Patients Breathe: Respiratory care for SCI &amp; ALS&lt;br&gt;Speaker: Korren Rapissi, RRT BA</td>
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Track 3, Oceans 9-10 | Poster Viewing (Expo Hall)  
• Refreshments Provided | | |
| 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. | **Product Theater: Onward Medical - Track 2, Crystal DE**  
Developing Breakthrough Therapies for People with SCI  
Dr. Edelle Field-Fote: Director, Spinal Cord Injury Research  
& The Hulse Spinal Cord Injury Laboratory, Shepherd Center, Atlanta, GA  
Breakfast Provided in the Room | | | |
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| 8:15 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. | **Opening Remarks**  
Cheryl Vines, Director of Research and Education, Paralyzed Veterans of America | | | |
| 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. | **Keynote Address:** (2322) Characteristics of Resilient Veterans with SCI/D: Implications for Practice  
Timothy Elliott, PhD, ABPP | | | |
| 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. | **John M. Whitaker Memorial Lecture:** The Healthcare Workforce for the Future  
Heidi Maloni, PhD, RN, ANP-BC, CNRN, MSCN | | | |
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| 10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | Coffee Break - Oceans Ballroom Foyer & Expo | | | |
| 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | (45 minutes) (2323)  
Development of an Inpatient Rehabilitation Outcome Measures (SCI-iROM) Toolkit for Veterans with Spinal Cord Injury  
Speaker: Maureen Jennings, DPT | (90 minutes) (2325)  
Inclusive Boundaries: Implementation of Limit-setting with Veterans Experiencing Spinal Cord Injury/Disorders (SCI/D) and Trauma-related Symptoms  
Speakers: Samantha Harfenist, PsyD & Danielle Pike, PsyD | (45 minutes) (2326)  
Multiple Sclerosis and Infections: Screening, Prevention and Monitoring  
Speakers: Mitchell Wallin, MD, MPH & Bryan Smith, MD | (90 minutes) (2328 - 2332) Science-Minded Lightning Talks: Cutting Edge Laboratory Research in SCI, MS, and ALS  
Speakers:  
Julio Furlan, MD, LLB, MBA, MSc, PhD, FRCP, FAAN  
Neil Kamdar, MA  
Curtis Benson, PhD  
James Krause, PhD  
Philip Effraim, MD, PhD  
Moderator: Andrew Tan, PhD, PhD | | | |
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<td><strong>(45 minutes) (2336) MS - Fatigue, Cognition, and Speech-Language Pathology: Knowledge is Power</strong>&lt;br&gt;Speaker: Annette Askren, CScD, CCC-SLP &amp; Laura Mellon, CCC-SLP, ATP</td>
<td><strong>(45 minutes) (2337) Current Research Status and Best Practice in the Management of Individuals with Degenerative Cervical Myelopathy</strong>&lt;br&gt;Speakers: Julio Furlan, MD, LLB, MBA, MSc, PhD, FRCP, FAAN</td>
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Speaker: James Krause, PhD | (45 minutes) (2341) Use of Robotic Sailing Simulator Virtual Reality Navigation for SCI Patients: An Innovative Voyage  
Speaker: Albert Recio, MD | (45 minutes) (2343) Veterans with MS: How Close Do They Live to VA MS specialty Services?  
Speakers: Jodie Haselkorn, MD, MPH & Mitchell Wallin, MD, MPH | (45 minutes) (2345) Improving Veteran Care via Stakeholder Collaboration: A Case Study  
Speaker: Shelly Hoover, EdD & Mandi Bailey, BS |
| | (45 minutes) (2340) Tracheostomy Management in Cervical Spinal Cord Injured Patients and the Role of Diaphragm Pacing  
Speaker: Raymond Onders, MD | (45 minutes) (2342) Therapists Drive Development of On-Demand Technology for Individualized Seating Behavior Education  
Speakers: Christine Olney, PhD RN & Amber Wacek, DPT, ATP | (45 minutes) (2344) Multiple Sclerosis and Service-Connection: Identifying Eligible Veterans and Securing Benefits  
Speakers: Pete Demarkis & Mike Sheets | (45 minutes) (2346) Protecting Direct Care Provider (DCP) Against Career Ending Patient Handling Injuries: Who’s Job is it?  
Speakers: Pauline (Tony) Hilton, DrPH, RN, MSN, FNP, CRRN & Roric Hawkins, MBA, BSN, RN |
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| 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. | Product Theater: AMYLYX - Track 2, Crystal DE  
Introducing RELYVRIO  
John Novak, MD, Medical Director, Ohio Health ALS Clinic  
Refreshments Provided in the Room | | | |
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| 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | VA SCI Chiefs Meeting in Track 3 - Oceans 9-10 | | | |
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| 8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. | Welcome Remarks  
Jeri Muse, PhD, D.A. A. P.M, Program Chair | | | |
| 8:45am - 9:15am | Opening Remarks: A Most Sacred Obligation  
I. Manosha Wickremasinghe, MD | | | |
| 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. | Keynote Address: (2347) The United States National Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Registry Advances Research Domestically and Internationally  
Paul Mehta, MD | | | |
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After completing his clinical internship at the Seattle (WA) Veterans Administration Medical Center and obtaining his Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from the University of Missouri (1987), he began his academic career with the Department of Psychology at Virginia Commonwealth University. He later held faculty positions with the School of Medicine and the Department of Psychology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. He has served as an Associate Editor for the Journal of Social and Clinical Psychology and the Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings. He co-edited the first (2000) and third (2019) editions of the Handbook of Rehabilitation Psychology® published by the American Psychological Association.
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P2303: Self Righting Hydration Cup Holder for Hospital Bed
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P2304: Inflammation in Neurogenic Bowel-Associated Dysfunction and Pain After Spinal Cord Injury
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P2305: The State of Care for Ventilator-Dependent Veterans with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis in the Community: A Survey
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P2306: Can Do MS Veterans TAKE CHARGE® Program: An Opportunity for Learning, Connection & Participation
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P2307: Effects of Remote Ischemic Conditioning on Blood Pressure Fluctuations in Individuals with Spinal Cord Injury
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P2308: Partnership to Promote Whole Health and Wellness for Veterans Living with MS and their Families
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P2309: Adaptive Sports for All: Investigating the Socioeconomic Challenges to Participation
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P2310: Interdisciplinary Approach to Epidural Spinal Cord Stimulation: 4 Week Inpatient Rehabilitation Pilot Program
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P2311: Improving Access and Monitoring of Medications Within an Interdisciplinary Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Clinic
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P2312: Mitochondrial Dysfunction and Inflammation Increase in Below-Level Nervous Tissue in a Mouse Model of SCI
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P2313: The Transkinect Application for the Automatic Assessment of Independent Wheelchair Transfer Technique
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P2314: Proposed Telehealth Technology Navigator Program to Support Digital Literacy
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P2315: Microbiome Composition Changes Alter Sensory Neuron Function After SCI: A Potential Mechanism for Chronic Bowel Pain After Injury
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P2316: Promoting Recovery After SCI with Compounds Identified Using Novel Screening Assays
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P2317: SCI Increases Sensitivity of Below-Level Nociceptors to IL-1 Beta
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P2318: Demographic and Health Profiles of Veterans and Non-Veterans Living with Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury
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P2319: Reducing Metabolic Dysfunction After Spinal Cord Injury Via Naturally Derived-Gut Metabolite Supplementation
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P2320: Fostering Patient Centered Care for Veterans Living with SCI/D, MS and ALS
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P2321: Our Age-Friendly Health System Journey: the VAPIHCS Spinal Cord Injury and Disorders Outpatient Program
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P2322: Enhancing the Performance of People with Disabilities Through Bespoke Adapted Sports Assistive Technology
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P2323: Current Evidence on the Use of Phyto cannabinoids for Traumatic Spinal Cord Injuries
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P2324: Updates to Risk Factors for Fractures in Veterans with SCI/D
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- List the psycho-cognitive effects of CPAP therapy for sleep apnea in people with chronic spinal cord injury.
- Recognize how the VA health care system can individualize MS therapy based on the perceptions of risk to benefit, past medical history and future monitoring.
- Describe key themes identified by individuals with SCI/D that reflect their nutrition and eating beliefs and behaviors.
- Recognize the differences and similarities between SCI, MS and ALS and key practice issues.
- Describe the current FDA approved MS DMTs and understand their criteria for use in the VA health care system.
- Explain clinical utilization characteristics of identified inpatient rehabilitation outcome measures.
- Discuss the progression from a multi-disciplinary to an inter-disciplinary and trans-disciplinary service team dedicated to Veterans with ALS.
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- List 5 key elements of Trauma-Informed Care
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3. Explain how ethics intersects with law and policy.
4. Recognize through challenging case studies solutions that help individualize and optimize care.
5. Discuss the salient outcomes associated with healthcare engagement among adults living with Traumatic Spinal Cord Injuries (TSCI).
6. List the benefits of collaboration between the VA and patient advocacy groups.
7. Explain the role of an individual’s cognitive appraisal of his or her disability as an influence in health, recovery, and psychosocial well-being.
9. Recognize the impact of fatigue on all cognitive and linguistic functions.
10. Implement best practices in the management of SCI, MS, and ALS.

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