



INFORMATION

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Living with Neurofibromatosis Patient and Family Symposium will be live-streamed via Zoom. Instructions will be emailed to registrants the week of May 12.

About Cleveland Clinic

Cleveland Clinic Neurological Institute and Cleveland Clinic Children's Neurofibromatosis (NF) Program is a member of the Children's Tumor Foundation's NF Clinic Network (NFCN). Overseen by the Foundation's Clinical Care Advisory Board and Medical Affairs Committee, the NFCN recognizes clinics that provide appropriate NF care through implementation of current consensus clinical care guidelines for NF.

Cleveland Clinic and Cleveland Clinic Children's offer a comprehensive neurofibromatosis program to treat patients and families with NF1, NF2, and schwannomatosis. Using a tailored and holistic approach, we provide care for children and adults throughout the entire spectrum and lifetime of their disorder.

Our program offers a full array of medical and surgical services, including diagnostic testing, genetic counseling, medication management, surgical interventions, rehabilitation, and neuropsychological services. Our goals are to optimize the health and quality of life for patients and families with these complex conditions, taking into account the unique needs and challenges of each individual.

For more information on Cleveland Clinic's Neurofibromatosis Clinic, please email NFSymposium@ccf.org

About The Children's Tumor Foundation

The Children's Tumor Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) medical foundation, dedicated to improving the health and well being of individuals and families affected by the neurofibromatoses (NF).

The Children's Tumor Foundation is a founding member of the International Foundation, please visit www.ctf.org or call 800.323.7938.

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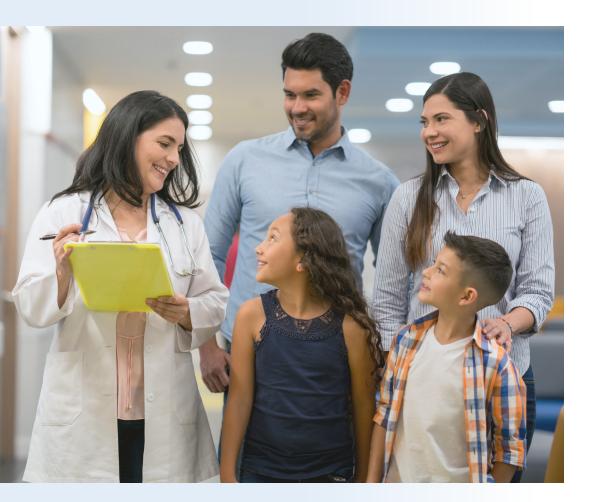
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AGENDA

This symposium offers patients and family members an opportunity to gain a better understanding of the management of neurofibromatosis type 1 and 2.

9:00 am	Welcome and Introductions Gary Hsich, MD	10:40 am	Panel Discussion with Faculty
		10:55 am	Break
9:10 am	Natural History and Medical Management of Tumors in Neurofibromatosis Type 1 (NF1)	11:05 am	Improving Hearing with Assessments and Aids Sarah Sydlowski, AuD, PhD
	Neha Patel, MD	11:20 am	Surgery in Tumors of
9:25 am	Living with NF 1: A Patient's Story Patient and Gary Hsich, MD		Peripheral Nerve: When Why, What Kind? Megan Jack, MD
		11:35 am	Management of Pain
9:40 am	Question & Answer Session		Associated with Neurofibromatosis Pavan Tankha, DO
9:55 am	Natural History and Medical Management of Tumors in Neurofibromatosis Type 2 (NF2)/ Schwannomatosis Mina Lobbous, MD,	11:50 am	Tweaking the Gene: Gene Editing in Genetic Disorders Andrew Dhawan, MD, PhD
	MSPH	12:05 pm	How to Prevent Passing
10:10 am	Surgery in NF2 / Schwannomatosis – When, Why, What Kind? Pranay Soni, MD		on the Neurofibromatosi Disease to Future Generations Mindy Christianson, MD
10:25 am	Living with NF 2: A Patient's Story Patient and Pranay Soni, MD	12:20 pm	Panel Discussion with Faculty
		12:50 pm	Closing
		1:00 pm	Adjourn

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