



Healthcare Summit+Expo

Sunday, August 29			
1:00pm - 5:00pm	Workshop: 1 (Track 1) Session #PC-211 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Transfers: Techniques, Technology & Training Tools to Optimize Safety & Independence <i>Speakers: Lynn Worobey, PhD, DPT, ATP</i> <i>Laura A. Rice, PhD, MPT, ATP</i> <i>Kendra Betz, PT, ATP</i>	Workshop: 2 (Track 2) Session: #PC-212, #PC-213 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Introduction to MS: Diagnosis and Management <i>Speakers: Scott Newsome, DO, MSCS, FAAN, FANA</i> <i>Kathleen Costello, MS, CRNP, MSCN</i> 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Cognitive Impairment in Multiple Sclerosis: Impact, Assessment, Remediation <i>Speakers: John DeLuca, PhD</i> <i>Kathleen Costello, MS, CRNP, MSCN</i>	Workshop: 3 Session: #PC-214 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. SCI 101; ALS 101; MS 101: Nuts and Bolts of Understanding and Managing SCI&D from onset to getting on <i>Speaker: Paul Gutierrez, MD</i>
5:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Welcome Reception (Expo Hall)		



Monday, August 30				
7:00am - 7:45am	Continental Breakfast			
8:00am - 8:15am	Opening Remarks (Track 1)			
	TBD			
8:15am - 8:45am	PVA Advocacy / Clinical Excellence Awards			
	TBD			
8:45am - 10:00am	Opening Keynote Address			
	Session #2101			
	Exciting Plasticity: Stimulating the Evolution of Clinically Accessible Approaches for Rewiring the Nervous System after SCI			
	<i>Edelle Field-Fote, PT, PhD</i>			
10:00 - 10:30am	Coffee Break & Expo			
10:30am - 12:00pm	Track 1: Session #2102	Track 2: Session #2103, #2104	Track 3: Session #2105	Track 4: Session #2106, #2107
	(90 minutes) Moving from Recommendations to Practice: Spinal Cord Injury Bone Health Pearls for Therapists <i>Speakers: Therese Johnston, PT, PhD B. Catherine Craven, MD Kristine Cowley, PhD</i>	(45 minutes) Empowering Healthcare Providers and Veterans with Pressure Monitoring Technology to Reduce and Heal Pressure Injuries <i>Speakers: Editha Custodio MSN, RN, CMSRN Elizabeth Saltigerald BSN, RN, CWOCN</i> (45 minutes) Pre- and Post-Operative Protocols to Optimize Myocutaneous Flap Surgery Success <i>Speakers: Crystal Stien, PT, DPT, ATP Mary M. Murphy Kruse, RN, MA, CWOCN, CWS</i>	(90 minutes) MS Update – clinical presentation, epidemiology and management strategies during the COVID-19 pandemic <i>Speakers: Michelle H. Cameron, MD, PT, MCR Jodie Haselkorn, MD, MPH</i>	(45 minutes) Communication by Brain <i>Speaker: Francois Gand</i> (45 minutes) Fatigue in ALS: ask, assess, and address <i>Speaker: Ileana Howard, MD</i>
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Lunch Expo			
12:00pm - 12:45pm	Product Theater Lunch Provided			
1:30pm - 3:00pm	Track 1: Session #2108	Track 2: Session #2109, #2110	Track 3: Session #2111, #2112	Track 4: Session #2113
	(90 minutes) Moving from Recommendations to Practice: Bone Health Pearls for Physicians Treating Individuals with SCI <i>Speakers: B. Catharine Craven, MD Anthony S. Burns, MD, MSc Leslie Morse, DO</i>	(45 minutes) Dry Needling for Treatment of Neuropathic Pain in Spinal Cord Injury Population <i>Speaker: Tabitha Jackson PT, DPT, NCS</i> (45 minutes) Predictors of Lower Extremity Fracture-related Amputation in Patients with Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury <i>Speaker: Rachel Elam, MD</i>	(45 minutes) Fall Management Among Wheelchair Users Living with Multiple Sclerosis: Current Research and Practice Strategies <i>Speaker: Laura A. Rice, PhD, MPT, ATP</i> (45 minutes) International Symposium on Gait and Balance in Multiple Sclerosis - Symposium Summary <i>Speakers: Brett Fling, PhD</i>	(90 minutes) Ethical considerations while supporting excellence in end-of-life care in ALS <i>Speakers: Catherine Wilson, PsyD, ABPP Elizabeth Bradley, BA Nancy deGraff, MBA, MA</i>
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Coffee Break & Expo			
3:30pm - 5:00pm	Track 1: Session #2114, #2115	Track 2: Session #2116, #2117	Track 3: Session #2118, #2119	Track 4: Session #2120, #2121
	(45 minutes) Quality Improvement of Concussion Evaluation in Adaptive Sports: Utility of the Wheelchair Error Scoring System <i>Speakers: Jonathan Lee, Research Assistant Michael Harper MD</i> (45 minutes) Implementation of an Adaptive CrossFit Program for Spinal Cord Injury Survivors <i>Speaker: Erin L Jones, PT, DPT, NCS, CBIS</i>	(45 minutes) The Highs and Lows of Blood Pressure Following Spinal Cord Injury: Bench to Bedside Investigations <i>Speakers: Rahul Sachdeva, PhD Andrei V. Krassioukov, MD, PhD, FRCP</i> (45 minutes) Tools to identify individualized risk of unintentional injuries for people with spinal cord injury. <i>Speakers: James Krause, PhD Melinda Jarnecke, BA Yue Cao, PhD</i>	(45 minutes) Management of Fatigue in Multiple Sclerosis <i>Speakers: Chris Hollen, MD Cinda Hugos MS, PT</i> (45 minutes) Interdisciplinary Team Approach and Adapted Tai Chi Shadow Boxing Group Enhances Preventative Care via Telemedicine <i>Speakers: Jasmine Martinez-Barrizonte, DO Samantha Vásquez DPT</i>	(45 minutes) Patient Initiated Interagency Collaboration: A Shared Approach to Improving Care for Veterans with ALS <i>Speakers: Jeremy Van Tress, PhD, CSWA Juan Reyes, BHS</i> (45 minutes) Psychosocial and health outcomes related to resilience and depression among Veterans with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis <i>Speakers: Ted Allaire, MS Catherine Wilson, PsyD, ABPP</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	MSCOE Meeting	Product Theater Refreshments Provided	Poster Viewing	



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Tuesday, August 31				
7:00am - 7:45am	Product Theater			
8:00am - 8:15am	Opening Remarks (Track 1)			
	TBD			
8:15am - 9:00am	Keynote Speaker			
	TBD			
9:00am - 10:15am	John N. Whitaker Memorial Lecture #2122			
	What's in Our Wallet? Managing Pharmacotherapy in the New Frontier Kathy Tortorice, PharmD			
10:15 - 10:30am	Coffee Break & Expo			
10:30am - 12:00pm	Track 1: Session #2123, #2124	Track 2: Session #2125	Track 3: Session #2126, #2127	Track 4: Session #2128
	(45 minutes) Wheelchair backs that support the spinal curves: Research findings about posture and function <i>Speakers: Jessica Presperin Pedersen OTD, MBA, OT/L, ATP/SMS Cynthia Smith PT, DPT, ATP</i> (45 minutes) Expanding Your Clinical Tool Kit, Teaching Wheelchair Users Preventative Maintenance <i>Speakers: Lynn Worobey, PhD, DPT, ATP Rachel Cowan, PhD</i>	(90 minutes) "They know. They've lived it." Introducing the New Voices of Experience SCI Video Series <i>Speakers: Thea Flaun Catherine Wilson, PsyD, ABPP Elizabeth Saltigerald, BSN, RN, CWOCN Allen Heinemann, PhD David Chen, MD</i>	(45 minutes) Me Too! Me Too!: Evaluating MS Disease Modifying Therapies in the Same Class <i>Speaker: Natasha Antonovich, PharmD, BCPS</i> (45 minutes) Harmonizing Imaging Assessments in Veterans with Multiple Sclerosis <i>Speaker: Francesca Bagnato MD, PhD</i>	(90 minutes) Possibilities in specialty ALS care through telehealth <i>Speakers: Shane Chanpimol, DPT Marshall Balish, MD, PhD Sarah Kiefer Luhring, MA, CCC--SLP, ATP</i>
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Lunch Provided, Expo and Poster Viewing			
12:15pm - 1:00pm	Product Theater			
1:30pm - 3:00pm	Track 1: Session #2129, #2130	Track 2: Session #2131, #2132	Track 3: Session #2133, #2134	Track 4: Session #2135, #2136
	(45 minutes) Developing and Validating a Decision Support Tool to Prevent Community Acquired Pressure Injuries in SCI <i>Speakers: Lisa Burkhart, PhD, RN, ANEF Barbara Bates-Jensen, PhD, RN, FAAN Autumn Smith, MPH</i> (45 minutes) Update on personalized pressure injury risk biomarkers: Developing a blood test for recurrent PrI risk <i>Speakers: Kath M. Bogue, D.Phil Sean Ferry</i>	(45 minutes) Dendritic Spine Dynamics after Injury: an Intravital Structural Study of Pain <i>Speaker: Curtis Benson, PhD</i> (45 minutes) Targeting intra-axonal RyR and IP3R mediated Ca2+ reduces secondary axonal degeneration following SCI <i>Speaker: Dave Stirling, PhD</i>	(45 minutes) MS Caregivers and Coping During COVID-19 Pandemic - Increasing Caregiver Resiliency Using Telehealth Modalities <i>Speakers: Alicia Sloan, MPH, MSW, LICSW Margaret Kazmierski, MSW, LCSW</i> (45 minutes) It Takes a Village: VA MSCOE and NMSS partnership for enhanced coordination of services for Veterans with MS <i>Speakers: Alicia Sloan, MPH, MSW, LICSW Margaret Kazmierski, MSW, LCSW Allison Krehbiel, LICSW</i>	(45 minutes) Experiences with and Perceptions of the VHA's TeleWound Practice Program Among Veterans With SCI/D <i>Speaker: Bella Etingen, PhD</i> (45 minutes) Introducing CVT+: Using Images to Improve Complex Rehab Technology Outcomes Using Clinical Video Telehealth <i>Speaker: Steven J. Mitchell, OTR/L, ATP</i>
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Coffee Break & Expo			
3:30pm - 5:00pm	Track 1: Session #2137, #2138	Track 2: Session #2139, #2140	Track 3: Session #2141	Track 4: Session #2142, #2143
	(45 minutes) Advancement of TeleWound in the VHA SCI/D System of Care <i>Speakers: Mona Baharestani, PhD, APN, CWON, FACCSWS Broderick Flynn, RN,BSN Daniel Barrows, LCSW, MHA, FACHE</i> (45 minutes) Recovery of Upper Extremity Function through Targeted Plasticity Therapy using vagus nerve stimulation. <i>Speakers: Robert Rennaker, PhD Chad Swank, PT, PhD</i>	(45 minutes) Advancing implementation of guidelines for suicide prevention in SCI care <i>Speakers: Sunil Sabharwal, MD Maureen Elias, BS, MA Lisa Kearney, PhD, ABPP</i> (45 minutes) Biopsychosocial factors associated with life satisfaction in individuals with long-term traumatic spinal cord injury <i>Speakers: Jillian Clark, PhD James Krause, PhD</i>	(90 minutes) Living with Multiple Sclerosis in the COVID-19 Era: Review and Case Discussion <i>Speakers: Mitchell Wallin, MD, MPH Lisa Mitchell, RN Heidi Maloni, PhD, NP</i>	(45 minutes) Solutions to address Air Travel issues for non-ambulatory wheelchair users based on PVA funded Research <i>Speaker: Peter Axelson, MSME, ATP, RET</i> (45 minutes) Value-Driven low-cost high-performance personalized modular SquishINS cushion for pressure relief <i>Speaker: Kath M. Boge, D.Phil</i>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	VA SCI/D Meeting		Poster Viewing (Cocktail Hour) 5:00 - 6:30	
6:30 pm - 8:30pm	PVA Healthcare Appreciation Reception			



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Wednesday, September 1				
7:30am - 8:15am	Continental Breakfast			
8:30am - 8:45am	Opening Remarks (Track 1)			
	TBD			
8:45am - 10:00am	Homer Townsend, Jr. Memorial Lecture #2144			
	Neurogenic Obesity after SCI: Metabolic Melee David Gater, MD			
10:00 - 10:30am	Coffee Break			
10:30am - 12:00pm	Track 1: Session #2145, #2146	Track 2: Session #2147, #2148	Track 3: Session #2149, #2150	Track 4: Session #2151, #2152
	(45minutes) Older age as a key determinant of outcomes after traumatic SCI: Myths and Facts <i>Speaker: Julio C. Furlan, MD, LLB, MBA, PhD, MSc, FRCPC</i> (45 minutes) Veterans with Spinal Cord Injuries & Disorders: VHA National COVID-19 Surveillance Data <i>Speakers: Jennifer Sippel, PhD Adam Eberhart, PT, DPT</i>	(45 minutes) Aquatic Rehabilitation for SCI Patients with Complex Medical Condition <i>Speaker: Steven Steins, MD, MS Albert Recio, MD</i> (45 minutes) Scuba diving as a prospective recreational therapy modality for individuals with spinal cord injury <i>Speakers: Daivid W McMillan, PhD Tania Santiago Perez, MS, CTRS</i>	(45 minutes) Psychological Intervention to Support Ventilator - Weaning after Acute Spinal Cord Injury <i>Speakers: Min Kim, DO Daniel Koehler, Psy. D</i> (45 minutes) Healthcare Providers' Perspectives on Resilience within the SCI/D Population <i>Speakers: Katlin Schultz, PsyD Sarah Brindle, PhD</i>	(45 minutes) Body fat assessment and creation of equation to estimate it following spinal cord injury <i>Speaker: Gary J. Farkas, PhD</i> (45 minutes) Exercise Prescription and Cardiometabolic Health in SCI: Enhanced implementation of quality care indicators through eLearning <i>Speakers: Chip Rowan, PhD, CSEP-CEP, RKin</i>
12:00pm - 1:30pm	Poster Viewing			
1:30pm - 3:00pm	Track 1: Session #2153, #2154	Track 2: Session #2155	Track 3: Session #2156	Track 4: Session #2157, #2158
	(45 minutes) Supporting Veterans after Acute SCI Rehab: The Role of the Multidisciplinary Outpatient Team <i>Speaker: Jeanine A. Penzo, MSW, LICSW</i> (45 minutes) Patient lived experiences to inform clinical practice in managing chronic pain after spinal cord injury <i>Speaker: Edward J. Rohn, PhD</i>	(90 minutes) Sexual Health and Fertility in SCI: An Interdisciplinary Approach <i>Speaker: April Conway RN, ANP-BC</i>	(90 minutes) Beyond Multiple Sclerosis (MS): Understanding the Impact of Comorbidities on Cognition and Mood in MS <i>Speakers: Terry Lee-Wilk, PhD Moira Dux, PhD</i>	(45 minutes) Artificial Intelligence -Cost Effective Alternative to Conventional Environmental Control Unit <i>Speaker: Alice Hon, MD</i> (45 minutes) Evidence-based evolution of a robotic wheelchair for mobility and accessibility enhancement: a user-centered design approach <i>Speaker: Jorge Candiotti, PhD</i>