The Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration

Education Conference & Annual Meeting

Join AFTD and Emory University for a day of education and networking!

**Date/Time:**
Friday, April 27, 2012
11:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(reception to follow)

**Where:**
Westin Buckhead Atlanta
3391 Peachtree Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30326

**To Reserve a Hotel Room:**
The Westin Buckhead Atlanta will have a block of rooms set aside at a rate of $127/night (+ taxes) until 5:00 p.m. on April 5th. Please call 800.937.8461 (use “AFTD Meeting” as the code) to reserve a room.
Parking is $10-14/day.

**To Register for the Conference:**
Visit www.theaftd.org; Registration ends on April 19th. Information on travel grants for patients and caregivers is available on the website.

**Questions:**
Visit www.theaftd.org; send an email to info@theaftd.org; or call 267.514.7221.

**Hosted by:**
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Opening the gateway to help and a cure
The Course for the Day:

Registration and Lunch   11:30
Welcome   12:30
Beth Walter, AFTD Board chair
Clinical Speaker   12:50-1:50
FTD 2012: Progress and Challenges
William T. Hu, M.D., Ph.D., Assist. Professor
Department of Neurology
Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases
Emory University School of Medicine
Breakout Sessions   2:00-3:30
See sidebar at right for details
Networking Time   3:30-4:15
The afternoon break will be extended for informal networking. Meet with experts from AFTD, local FTD/PSP caregiver support groups, Emory’s ADRC, Palliative Care or Emory tissue donation and autopsy programs.
Optional meetings will be held at this time for people with specific interests. Pre-register for one of these if interested:
- People diagnosed with FTD
- Getting involved with regional FTD advocacy
- Meditation experience for caregivers
AFTD Annual Meeting   4:20-4:50
Susan L-J Dickinson, MS, CGC
AFTD Executive Director
Keynote Address   5:00-6:00
Tim Langmaid, Sr. Managing Editor
CNN Medical
Reception   6:00-8:00
Hosted by AFTD Board
Stay for food & drink and conversation with today’s speakers, AFTD Board & staff, and most importantly, each other.

Breakout Sessions:
Register for the breakout session that best fits your interest and needs.

Finding True North: Refocusing in Light of a New Diagnosis
This session is for people who have emerged from the confusion of early symptoms and face a new diagnosis of FTD. Find out what steps you can take and what resources exist to maximize the future.
Susan Peterson-Hazan, MSW, L.C.S.W., Emory ADRC Education Core Co-Leader; Eleanor Vaughan, caregiver; author of “The Gift of Now”

Holding Steady at the Helm: Caring and Coping with FTD at Home after Diagnosis
This session will address care strategies and healthcare services to help meet the changing needs of managing a progressive disease at home.
Michelle Hammond-Susten, L.C.S.W., Emory ALS Clinic Social Worker; Matt Sharp, MSW, AFTD Program Coordinator

Expanding the Crew: Partnering with Facility Staff in Residential Care
It can be daunting to consider facility care because many long-term care programs do not understand FTD. Learn about resources, strategies and insider tips that can ease the transition and ensure quality care.
Sharon Denny, MA, AFTD Program Director; Andrea Kipple, MSN, BSN, Nurse Practitioner, Emory ADRC

Staying on an Even Keel: The Role of Hospice and Palliative Care in Late Stage Care
Hospice is a resource FTD families should understand and access for a holistic approach to managing advanced illness. Learn about hospice and how to advocate for valuable services that can enhance compassionate care.
Janet Cellar, R.N., C.N.S., ADRC Administrator, Clinical Nurse Specialist; Nicole Yarah, RN, ALS Nurse Clinician, Emory ALS Center; Bonnie Shepherd, former caregiver