



Neuroimmune Family Education Day

Saturday, September 6, 2025

Nationwide Children's Hospital
Education Center



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Program Description:

This program is intended to educate parents, caregivers and patients affected by rare, neuroimmune conditions. There will be three separate Concurrent Breakout Tracts for adults, teens and school-age participants. Lunch will be provided.

Program Date:

Saturday, September 6, 2025 | 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Location:

Nationwide Children's Hospital Education Center
575 S. 18th St. | Columbus, OH 43205

Who Should Attend?

Parents, caregivers, siblings or other family members, and loved ones of children and young adults with rare, neuroimmune conditions. Children (17 and under) must be accompanied by their parent or guardian.

Cost:

No charge to attend, but registration is required.
Lunch is included.

Confirmation:

A confirmation email with directions will be sent to all registered participants.

Conference Parking:

Parking is located in the Orange Parking Garage, located at 555 S. 18th St., Columbus, OH. There will be parking passes available.



Questions:

For registration assistance, please call (614)-355-0589 or email Sheri.Brock@NationwideChildrens.org.

If attending in person is not possible, please contact us to discuss alternative participation options.

Keynote Speaker

Molly Moehlman, MD

Neurologist, Division of Neurology

Assistant Professor, UC Department of Pediatrics

– Cincinnati Children's Hospital



My clinical specialty is pediatric neurology, and I specialize in neuroimmunology and general neurology. Every patient is different—two people can have the same disease with entirely different experiences. My clinical approach is to partner with families to use my experience and scientific evidence to find the best treatment plan for them. I work with a wonderful multi-disciplinary team, including nurses, nurse practitioners, clinic managers, therapists and physicians from other specialties, to provide well-rounded and complete care for our patients with complex needs.

I wanted to work in pediatrics because children's creativity and perseverance constantly inspire me. I was drawn to neuroimmunology by the desire to develop long-term relationships between patients and providers, the complexity of the disease and the exciting new advancements that have developed in the field that lead to new treatment options and more hope for our patients.

As a researcher, I'm interested in demyelinating diseases and their long-term effects on patients as they start newer therapies. In particular, I'm interested in the cognitive effects of neuroimmunological diseases and how our treatments may affect outcomes. I'm proud to have been a National Multiple Sclerosis Society Clinical Care Fellow, which helped support my training and allowed me to focus on the complexities of neuroimmunologic care. I'm also passionate about medical education and helping train the next generation of physicians to continue to provide compassionate and competent care.

Adult Agenda

9:30 a.m.	Registration
10 – 10:10 a.m.	Welcome Remarks <i>Kelsey Poisson, MD</i>
10:10 – 10:40 a.m.	Keynote Presentation - Pushing Towards Earlier Diagnosis and Treatment of Pediatric-Onset Multiple Sclerosis <i>Molly Moehlman, MD</i> <i>Cincinnati Children's Hospital</i>
10:45 – 10:55 a.m.	The Behind-the-Scenes Dream Team <i>Shannon Capka, BSN, RN</i> <i>Angel Koogler, LSW</i>
11 – 11:20 a.m.	Autoimmune Encephalitis <i>Kelsey Poisson, MD, and Jaclyn Aldrich, PhD</i> OR Demyelinating Disease: ADEM, MOGAD, NMOSD <i>Setty Magana, MD, PhD</i>
11:20 – 11:35 a.m.	Break
11:35 – 11:55 a.m.	Through Their Eyes - Vision Loss in Pediatric Neuro-Immunological Disorders <i>Hersh Varma, MD</i> OR Early Rehabilitation Strategies for Relapses <i>Amy Hiller, DO</i>
12 – 1 p.m.	Group Photo and Lunch
1 – 1:20 p.m.	Managing Mood Problems and Depression in Children with Neuroimmune Illness <i>Alana Leever, PsyD, Karah Harvey-Nuckles, MD, MPH</i>
1:25 – 2:25 p.m.	Q&A Patient Panel Discussion <i>Moderator: Kyla Driest, MD, MEd</i>
2:25 – 2:40 p.m.	Break

2:40 - 3 p.m.

Caregiver Support

Jaclyn Aldrich, PhD

3 – 3:20 p.m.

**Research advances in pediatric neuroimmunology
- NCH and beyond**

Kelsey Poisson, MD

3:25 – 3:30 p.m.

Closing Remarks/Evaluation/Adjourn

Kelsey Poisson, MD

Teen (ages 12+) & School-Age (ages 6-11) Sessions

Teen and school-age sessions are led by Nationwide Children's professionals. Children will learn and share about neuroimmune diseases in a fun and interactive way. They will participate in age appropriate activities designed to educate them about living with a neuroimmune condition.



Teen Agenda - Concurrent Session

2:40 - 3 p.m. **The “I” in NI**
*Shannon Capka, BSN, RN &
Karah Harvey-Nuckles, MD, MPH*

3 – 3:20 p.m. **Transition to Adult Care**
Camille Wilson, PhD

School Aged Agenda – Concurrent Session

10:10 - 11:10 a.m. **Water Coloring - Hannah Torma**

11:10 – 11:55 a.m. **Relaxation Techniques**
- Ariana Johnson and Alana Leever, PsyD

12 – 1 p.m. **Group Photo and Lunch**

1 – 1:45 p.m. **How Medicines Help Your Brain Get Better**
- Taylor Duque, PharmD

1:45 – 2:30 p.m. **Origami Fun - Ohio Paper Folder**

2:30 – 3:20 p.m. **Neurology and the Brain - Neurology Residents**



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2025 REGISTRATION FORM

Age (if under 18)

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

County _____

Daytime phone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____

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School District _____

Email this form to CommunityEducation@NationwideChildrens.org OR register online at NationwideChildrens.org/Edu.

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