

National Scleroderma Conference 2026

Baltimore, Maryland | July 17-19

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Friday, July 17

- 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. **Doors, Registration Open**
- 4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. **Exhibit Hall Open**
- 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. **Research Poster Hall Opens**
- 5:00 p.m. **First Timers Session *NEW***
- 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. **Dinner**
- 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. **Opening Celebration**

Saturday, July 18

- 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Exhibit Hall Open**
- 9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. **Breakout Session I**
- 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. **Breakout Session II**
- 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. **Volunteer Awards Luncheon**
- 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. **Breakout Session III**
- 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. **Breakout Session IV**
- 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. **Research Poster Hall Open**
- 6:15 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. **Dinner**

Sunday, July 19

- 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. **Breakfast**
- 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. **Questions & T-Shirt Pick-Up at Registration**
- 8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. **Breakout Session V**
- 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. **Breakout Session VI**
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **Closing Session**

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Conference Breakout Session Schedule

Saturday, July 18



9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Scleroderma 101 - [Dr. Laura Hummers](#)

Yoga for Digestion - [Cheryl Albright](#)

NEW Caregivers: Supporting Those Living with Scleroderma - [Dori-Ann & Ed Lippincott](#)

ABC's of Scleroderma Lung Care - [Dr. Virginia Steen](#)

NEW Managing Pain & Fatigue in Scleroderma - [Dr. Zsusanna McMahan](#)

10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

GI and the Microbiome - [Dr. Elizabeth Volkmann](#)

Scleroderma & the African American Community - [Dr. Lauren Smith & Dr. DeAnna Baker Frost](#)

Living with Localized Scleroderma - [Dr. Heidi Jacobe](#)

Raynaud's and Ulcerations in Scleroderma - [Dr. Kim Lakin](#)

A Panel Discussion for Men Living with Scleroderma led by [Dr. Ankoor Shah](#)

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Raynaud's 101: Causes, Care & Coping - [Dr. Michael York](#)

Oral Health in Scleroderma - [Dr. David Leader](#)

Living with Scleroderma as a Young Adult: A Panel Discussion

Managing Emergencies in Scleroderma - [Dr. Harrison Farber](#)

Predicting Progression in Scleroderma - [Dr. Marcin Trojanowski](#)

NEW Clinical Trials: What You Need to Know - [Dr. Domsic-Degazio & Gwen Leatherman](#)

3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

NEW Diet, Nutrition & Exercise for Scleroderma - [Dr. Tracy Frech](#)

Medications in Scleroderma - [Dr. Jessica Farrell](#)

NEW Making the Most of Your Healthcare Appointments - [Karen Gottesman](#)

Cellular Therapies in Scleroderma - [Dr. Max Konig](#)

Art Therapy - [Evamarie Cole & Amy Gietzen](#)

Bridging the Gap: BIPOC Voices on Navigating Scleroderma: A Panel Discussion

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Sunday, July 19



8:15 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

Taking Care of Your Skin - Dr. Jessica Gordon

Understanding Test Results - Dr. Soumya Chatterjee

Cardiac Involvement - Dr. Monica Mukherjee

***NEW* Sex, Intimacy & Family Planning: A Panel Discussion**

Becoming a Scleroderma Advocate: A Panel Discussion

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Social Security & Disability Application Process & Benefits Overview - ABLE Today Maryland

Advocating for Yourself - Cami Novachek

Taking Care of the Hands and Face - Celeste Freeman

Mind over Matter: Overcoming Cognitive Fog and Chronic Fatigue - Dr. Yen Chen

How to Get Involved: Volunteer Opportunities with the Foundation - JoAnne LaPergola & Chrissy Geimann



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