CONFERENCE PROGRAM

April 12-14, 2026

Our Future Is So Bright

2026

MGFA National Patient Conference

Hollywood Beach, FL

MYASTHENIA GRAVIS FOUNDATION OF AMERICA

WELCOME

to the 2026 MGFA National Patient Conference

CONNECT • LEARN • ENGAGE

On behalf of the MGFA team, our Board of Directors, and the Conference Steering Committee, welcome to the largest annual gathering of the MG Community.

Each year, individuals living with MG, their care partners and family members, clinicians and MG experts, and industry partners come together to learn, to share, and—most importantly—to connect. This year, inspired by the incredible momentum in MG research and care, our Steering Committee chose a theme that captures the spirit of what lies ahead for the MG community: “Our Future Is So Bright.”

Over the last decade, eight new treatments for MG have been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. This unprecedented wave of innovation is reshaping what it means to live with this disease. Increased investment and collaboration across the scientific, clinical, and patient communities are expanding our understanding of MG, improving diagnostic pathways, and driving more personalized, patient-centered approaches to care.

These breakthroughs are making a difference right now in the lives of people living with MG. There are so many reasons to be hopeful about the future for MG care.

At the 2026 MGFA National Patient Conference, you will hear from leading experts and visionaries who are shaping the next era of MG care. Sessions throughout the conference will explore emerging therapies, forward-thinking science, and the power of community connection.

As the nation’s largest, leading patient advocacy organization solely focused on MG, MGFA remains dedicated to our mission: to create connections, enhance lives, improve care, and cure MG. Our work is guided by the needs and experiences of the MG community, and by the belief that, together, we can drive meaningful change.

We hope the next three days leave you informed, energized, and deeply connected, and that you feel hope for a bright future for everyone impacted by myasthenia gravis.

YOUR CONFERENCE EXPERIENCE

Experience Rooms and Exhibit Hall

Explore the Strategic Partner Experience Rooms, featuring interactive learning opportunities, and the Exhibit Hall, where you can engage with and learn about leading MG treatments from our partners. These spaces are open during breaks between sessions and other activities.

Ask Your Questions on Slido

Conference attendees will use the Slido application to ask questions during sessions. You can join the Q&A at **slido.com** using the code **#MGFA**.

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Conference Meals

You are invited to join fellow attendees for meals during the conference. Connect and learn from one another during this community-building time. Meals will be served in the Compass Rose Ballroom, with one exception: dinner on Monday evening will take place on the License to Chill Patio on the 11th floor. You will find coffee and beverage stations in One Particular Harbor.

Share your conference photos with us!

Tag the MGFA on Facebook, Instagram or LinkedIn.

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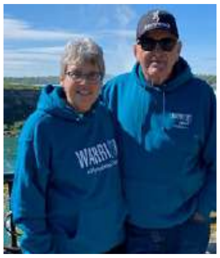
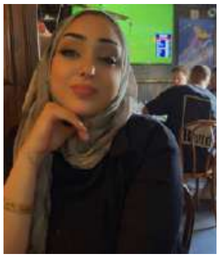


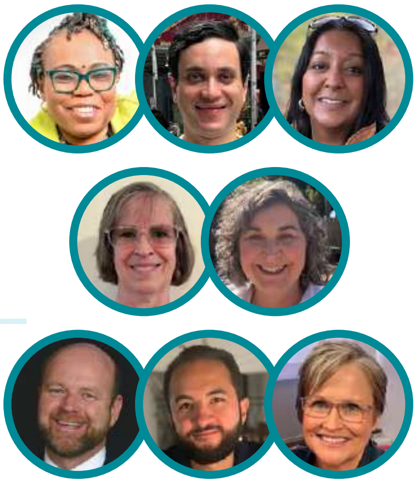


AGENDA

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

All sessions take place in the Compass Rose Ballroom unless otherwise noted

1:30 - 2:30 P.M.	**MG 101: Introduction to Myasthenia Gravis** Michael Rosario-Prieto, MD BayCare Neurology Group
2:30 - 3:00 P.M.	**MGFA Connect: Meet the MGFA Ambassadors** Betty Ajueyitsi Matt Bornstein Siobhain Carolan Jenny Clark Andrea Divis Greg Josephs Carlos Ortiz Janel Worcester-Brown
3:00 - 5:00 P.M.	**Coffee Break** | **Sponsored by** REGENERON SCIENCE TO MEDICINE **Exhibit Hall / All Experience Rooms Open** *Compass Rose Ballroom, One Particular Harbor & Conference Rooms*



Be sure to visit our exhibitor hall and experience rooms during breaks from our sessions and each afternoon.

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3:00 P.M. and 4:00 P.M.

Join ULTOMIRIS gMG STAR Patient Ambassadors, an Alexion Patient Education Manager and a OneSource Support Specialist for a conversation around insurance and access, followed by a short Q&A. There are two one-hour sessions.

“Board” Room

Join us for an engaging conversation focused on self-advocacy and navigating your health care journey with confidence. Facilitated by Dr. Albert Freedman, a licensed psychologist with extensive experience supporting individuals impacted by rare diseases. Discussion is followed by gMG Connections: meet other gMG patients and connect with Dr. Al.

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3:30 P.M.

Experience Room + VYVGART (You) program

Challenge yourself at the VYVGART (efgartigimod alfa-fcab) Experience Room. Talk to a mentor and learn more about the My VYVGART Journey program. At 3:30 P.M., attend a VYVGART (You)niversity program hosted by Dr. Rosenfeld with ambassador Niki. Engage in discussion about disease state background and VYVGART information, including clinical trial design, results, and dosing information as well as helpful information about getting started on VYVGART.

Whether you’re a patient, a supporter, or a friend of the community, you’re welcome to attend.

Continental Drifter

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Gain insights into IMAAVY® (nipocalimab-aahu) clinical data, the treatment journey, and support resources through education from a J&J Clinical Educator, along with a firsthand perspective from a patient on IMAAVY.

Coral Reef

More Than MG: Easy Energy Meals

MG-friendly cooking demo with a registered dietitian

Nautical Wheeler

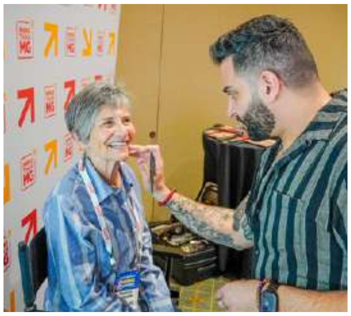
3:15 - 3:45 P.M.

Returning to Our Senses: Foundational Practices of Mindfulness

with Danielle DeCosmo, Integrative Medicine and Arts Specialist

4:00 - 4:30 P.M.

A Caregiver’s Journey: Balancing Life, Care and Me



5:30 - 7:00 P.M.

Welcome Reception and Dinner | **Sponsored by** Alexion AstraZeneca Rare Disease

Compass Rose Ballroom

Gather with other attendees for dinner to kick off the conference.

MONDAY, APRIL 13

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8:30 - 9:20 A.M.

Breakfast | **Sponsored by** Johnson & Johnson

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More Than MG
Coral Reef

Jeopardy! MG edition
Channel your inner Ken Jennings and put knowledge into action with a fast-paced Jeopardy-style game focused on MG topics. Drop in as your schedule allows, multiple speed rounds will be played!

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Nautical Wheeler

8:30 - 9:00 A.M.
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9:00 - 9:30 A.M.
My Life, My Routine: Taking an Active Role in Treatment *
* includes administration demonstration

9:30 - 9:45 A.M.

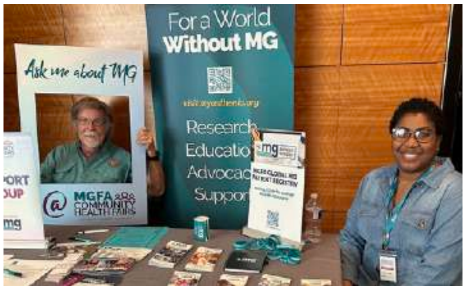
Welcome & Opening Remarks

Samantha Masterson
President & CEO, MGFA

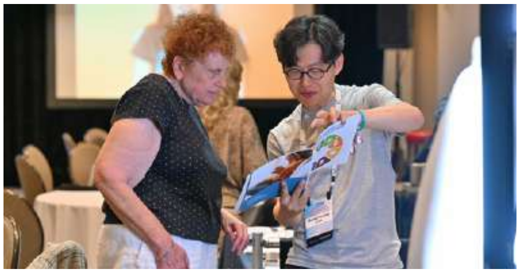
9:45 - 10:20 A.M.

Keynote: What Neurologists Look for in Treatment Response

Tuan Vu, MD, USF Health







10:30 - 11:00 A.M.

Coffee Break | Sponsored by REGENERON

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ULTOMIRIS Cabana Lounge & Photobooth
Visit the Cabana Lounge for a serene escape to recharge between sessions, complete with breezy vibes and an AI photobooth. At the booth, choose from pre-loaded Margaritaville-inspired backgrounds for a fun, personalized photo with your loved ones!

More Than MG
Coral Reef

Jeopardy! MG edition

11:05 - 11:50 A.M.

Caregiver Sharing Session

Kevin Mack, MA, LPC
Carlos Ortiz
Pat Reynolds

Moderated by Paul Strumph, MD
MGFA Board Emeritus

12:00 - 12:30 P.M.

AI & Digital Health Panel: The Future of Care

Kemar Green, DO, FANA
CEO, Neuro Agent AI, Inc.

Gülşen Öztosun, MD
GW Medical Associates

Moderated by Richard Nowak, MD
Yale School of Medicine
MGFA Chief Medical Advisor

12:35 - 1:35 P.M.

Luncheon | Sponsored by AMGEN

**1:40 -
2:10 P.M.**

MGFA & Vitaccess Patient Registry: Harnessing Patient Data for Better MG Care

Anna Richards, MA
Head of Commercial, Vitaccess

Paul Strumph, MD
MGFA Board Emeritus

**2:15 -
3:05 P.M.**

Breakout Sessions

Juvenile MG
Hemisphere Dancer
Sarah Wright, DO, MS
Children's National Hospital

MG Medication Safety and Real-World Management
Compass Rose Ballroom
Kettia Alusma-Hibbert, DNP, MSN
Neuroscience Nurse Practitioner

**3:10 -
5:00 P.M.**

Coffee Break | **Sponsored by** REGENERON SCIENCE TO MEDICINE®

Exhibitors / All Experience Rooms Open / Rest & Networking

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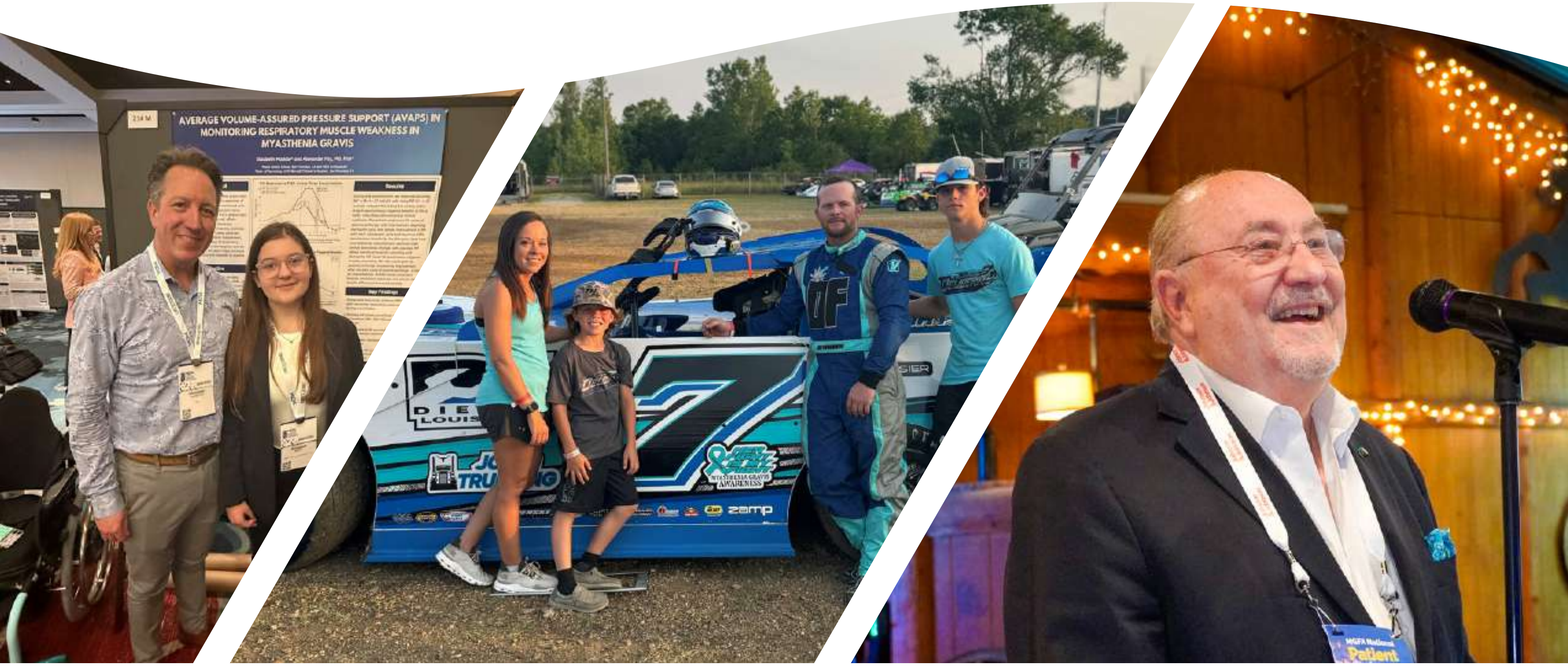

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MORE THAN MG

Coral Reef
3:10 - 5:00 P.M.

Paws and Reflect: Adaptive Yoga with Therapy Dogs

Join us for an adaptive puppy yoga experience, bringing gentle movement and joyful connection together.

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Nautical Wheeler

3:15 - 3:45 P.M.

The Bittersweet Take on Sugar: Carbs, Sweeteners & More

with Kristin Neusel, Dietician & Patient Advocate

4:00 - 4:30 P.M.

Stronger Together: Partnering with My Doctor to Fight Generalized Myasthenia Gravis

4:30 - 5:00 P.M.

Finding My Way: Learning to Ask for What You Need

6:00 - 9:00 P.M.

Dinner & Service Awards Ceremony | Sponsored by argenx

License to Chill Patio, 11th Floor

Join us for a tropical-themed dinner where we will announce and celebrate our MGFA Volunteer and Service Awards recipients. To access the patio, take the elevators to the 11th floor and look for our signs.

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

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8:30 - 9:30 A.M.

Breakfast | **Sponsored by** Johnson &Johnson

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More Than MG — **Jeopardy! MG edition**

Coral Reef

9:35 - 10:20 A.M.

Lifestyle & Wellness with MG

Nivedita Jerath, MD, MS
Neuromuscular Specialist

10:25 - 11:05 A.M.

Advances in MG Research & Treatment

James Howard, Jr., MD, FAAN
UNC School of Medicine

11:10 - 11:40 A.M.

Coffee Break | **Sponsored by** REGENERON SCIENCE TO MEDICINE

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More Than MG — **Jeopardy! MG edition**

Coral Reef

11:45 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Community Insights & Ongoing Initiatives

Logan Hazellief
PAN Foundation

12:35 - 12:40 P.M.

Closing Remarks

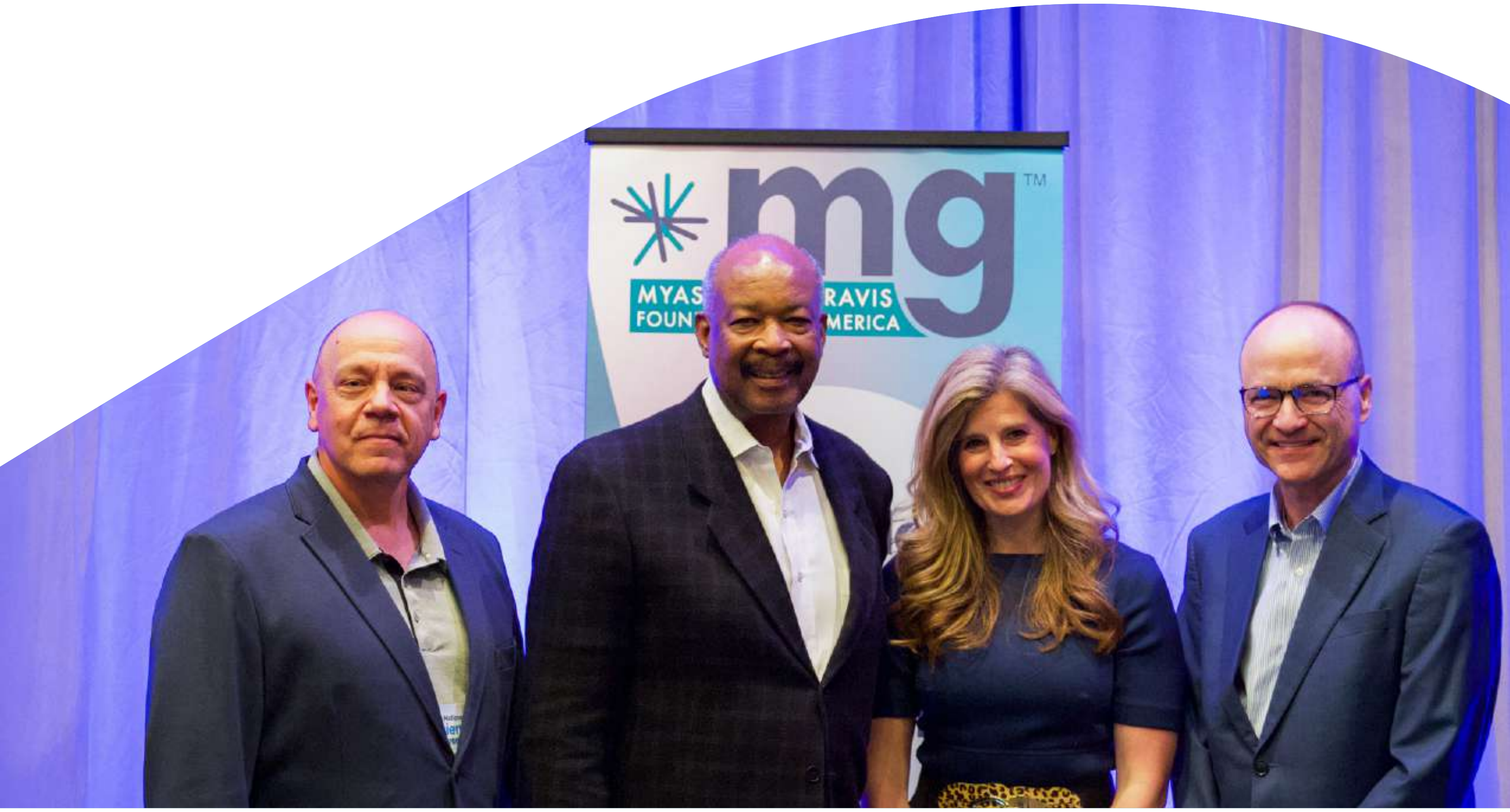
Samantha Masterson
President & CEO, MGFA

12:45 - 1:45 P.M.

Luncheon | **Sponsored by** AMGEN

1:50 - 2:35 P.M.

Closing Plenary: Our Future Is So Bright



ABOUT OUR SPEAKERS

Betty Ajueyitsi, MGFA ambassador for education and virtual learning, was diagnosed with seronegative MG in 2011 and started her advocacy journey after her experience with the medical system. Originally from Nigeria, she is a schoolteacher who lives in Maryland with her family. Betty has been an active MGFA volunteer, including serving as lead volunteer for the Community Health Fair.

Kettia Alusma-Hibbert, DNP, APRN, MSN, FNP-BC, CNRN, CMRD, is a doctorally prepared, board-certified nurse practitioner with specialized certification as a neuroscience nurse. With over 16 years of experience in neurology care, she has dedicated her career to treating and managing patients across the continuum of care—from acute inpatient settings as a neuro-tele and neuro ICU nurse to her current role as a neuroscience nurse practitioner in an outpatient ambulatory setting.

Matt Bornstein, MGFA ambassador for fundraising, is a native New Yorker who works in sales at a commercial lighting company. Diagnosed with MG in 2011, he began volunteering as an MG Friend in 2022. Matt also serves as the co-chair for the MG Walk New York. Volunteering enables him to use his first-hand knowledge of MG to help others.

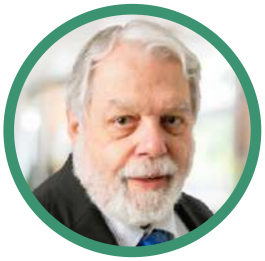
Siobhain Carolan, MGFA ambassador for legislation and advocacy, lives with congenital myasthenic syndrome and is an active advocate for the rare disease community. She has participated in Rare Disease Week on Capitol Hill since 2019 and advocates for legislation in her state of Connecticut. Siobhain works as a patient service representative for the National Organization for Rare Disorders. She serves as co-chair for the MGFA's MG Walk in Boston and as the lead for the Boston MGFA Community Health Fair.

Jenny Clark, MGFA ambassador for MG awareness and peer support networks, serves as an MG Friend and support group leader. Originally from Indiana, Jenny now makes her home in Tennessee. Because she has multiple family members with MG, she saw the signs before she was formally diagnosed with seronegative MG in 1990, at age 22. Until 2016, Jenny worked in retail management, and now she enjoys time with her two children and five grandchildren.

Andrea Divis, MGFA ambassador for MG awareness and support networks, was diagnosed with MG in 2019. After joining a clinical trial, she became passionate about educating patients through the MG Friends program. From there, her volunteer work blossomed—she started a support group in San Diego, chairs the MG Walk in Southern California, and is leading the first Community Health Fair in San Diego. She lives in Oceanside and enjoys relaxing with her two grown sons and three feline friends.

Kemar E. Green, DO, FANA, is a rare and complex disease neurologist with subspecialty expertise in neuro-ophthalmology and neuro-otology. He is the founder and CEO of NeuroAgent AI, Inc. and HazyEyes, Inc., leading the development of AI-driven, autonomous neurodiagnostic and monitoring platforms. He remains affiliate faculty at the Johns Hopkins Data Science & AI Institute (DSAI), serves as a clinical mentor for Johns Hopkins Biomedical Engineering Undergraduate Design and Precision Care Medicine Design teams, and is a fellow of the American Neurological Association.

Logan Hazellief is the digital and brand strategist at the PAN Foundation, an independent nonprofit dedicated to accelerating access to affordable, equitable healthcare through financial assistance, advocacy, and education. She oversees the organization's digital presence, including social media and branding initiatives. Passionate about healthcare, Logan draws inspiration from personal experiences supporting family members with chronic conditions.



James F. Howard, Jr., MD, FAAN, is a professor of neurology (neuromuscular disorders), medicine, and allied health at UNC Chapel Hill School of Medicine. A practicing neurologist for 46 years, he is the author of more than 250 works on MG. He currently directs the Myasthenia Gravis Clinical Trials and Translational Research Unit at UNC, where he has been the global lead investigator for several of the approved therapeutics for MG.

Nivedita Jerath, MD, MS, is a board-certified neurologist and neuromuscular specialist who has trained at Harvard University, Harvard Medical School, Mayo Clinic College of Medicine, and University of Iowa. She is the author of *Breaking the Limits: Untold Stories of How Disability Became Power* and *Billion Dollar Mind*. Her work aims to inspire patients, educate caregivers, and challenge societal perceptions about chronic illness and disability.

Greg Josephs, MGFA ambassador for legislation and advocacy, has been living with MG for 21 years. A New Jersey native, he earned two degrees from Syracuse University, which is also his wife's alma mater. They have three grown children and a very lazy beagle. Greg co-leads the Hampton Roads (Virginia) MG Support Group and engages in advocacy activities on behalf of the MG community.

Kevin R. Mack, MA, LPC, is the founder and CEO of Mack Counseling, a Houston-based behavioral health organization that provides support to individuals with MG and their caregivers through the MGFA Helpline. Not long after forging this partnership, his son was diagnosed with MG. MGFA became more than a partner organization—it became a source of guidance and support for his family during a critical time.

Richard Nowak, MD, currently serves as chair of the MGFA Medical & Scientific Advisory Council, chief medical advisor to the MGFA, and as a member of the MGFA Board of Directors. He is a neuromuscular-fellowship-trained neurologist and a faculty member in the Department of Neurology at Yale University School of Medicine. Dr. Nowak is the founding director of both the Program for Clinical & Translational Neuromuscular Research and the Yale Myasthenia Gravis Clinic.

Carlos Ortiz, MGFA ambassador for fundraising, dedicates his work with the MGFA to his father, whose life was profoundly changed by MG. Through advocacy and fundraising, Carlos' goal is to continue "moving the needle" for the MG community and to ensure patients receive the recognition and support they deserve. Carlos is honored to stand by his father's side, supporting him through every step and challenge of his MG journey. Carlos co-chairs the MG Walk New York and received the 2025 MGFA Emerging Leader Award.

Gülşen Öztosun, MD, is a physician by training and serves as a clinical research associate at The George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences in the Department of Neurology and Rehabilitation Medicine. Her work involves supporting clinical research in neurological and neuromuscular conditions, particularly myasthenia gravis. More recently, she has been involved in projects exploring how artificial intelligence may help improve the diagnosis, monitoring, and management of MG.

Pat Reynolds is a retired RN and adult psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner. She graduated from the University of Arizona College of Nursing with bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing. Pat relies on her holistic nursing framework to guide her role as a caregiver to her husband and other family members. She is an avid lifelong learner and outdoor enthusiast.

Anna Richards, MA, is the head of commercial at Vitaccess, where she builds and maintains relationships with existing and new clients. She previously served as localization lead, working across all operational aspects of multi-language, digital, real-world evidence studies to ensure that the patient voice was captured across the globe. Anna has worked in translation and localization since 2013, both as a project manager and as a legal and medical translator.

Michael Rosario-Prieto, MD, is a neuromuscular specialist at BayCare Neurology Group, the medical director for the Tampa Bay Muscular Dystrophy Care Center, and the team neurologist for the Tampa Bay Rays. He completed his medical training at New York Medical College and a neurology residency at University of Connecticut in 2012, where his interest in neuromuscular diseases started. After fellowships at Duke University, he moved to Florida, where he has been treating patients and active in clinical trials for over a decade.

Paul Strumph, MD, is chief medical officer at Seraxis Pharmaceuticals and has more than 20 years of experience in the pharmaceutical development field. A recipient of the 2022 MGFA Impact Award, Paul has served on the MGFA Board of Directors since 2020, where he is currently the volunteer lead for the Vitaccess Real MG Patient Registry. Paul has personal experience with chronic autoimmune diseases, as he was diagnosed with type 1 diabetes in 1966 and myasthenia gravis in 2019.

Janel Worcester-Brown, ambassador for MG awareness and patient education/support, saw her life change dramatically in 2015 when she first experienced MG symptoms. After years of uncertainty, she was diagnosed in 2019. A seasoned social worker, Janel is an MG Friend, leads the Parenting with MG and Northern New England support groups, assists with special projects and publicly shares her own story, offering hope and inspiration to those on a similar path.

Sarah Wright, DO, serves as the neuromuscular program director at Children’s National Hospital in Washington, D.C., where she cares for children and young adults with both hereditary and acquired nerve and muscle disorders. Dr. Wright’s research interests include novel therapeutic targets for Duchenne muscular dystrophy and juvenile myasthenia gravis.

Tuan Vu, MD, is a professor of neurology and the director of the Neuromuscular Division and Electromyography Laboratories at the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine. In addition to providing expert care to patients with neuromuscular diseases for more than 30 years and teaching neurophysiology and neuromuscular medicine, Dr. Vu is extensively involved in MG clinical trials and has also participated in numerous ALS, CIDP, and myositis/myopathy trials.

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Bon Appétit!

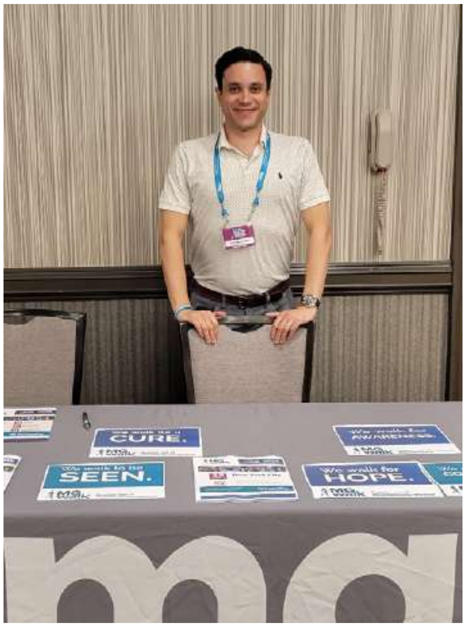
Meals for our guests during the conference are hosted in part by our partners. Thank you to Alexion, Amgen, argenx, Johnson & Johnson, and Regeneron.

Scholarships For Patients and Caregivers

Since 2024, the MGFA has made National Patient Conference registration available at no cost to patients and caregivers. This enables more people impacted by MG to attend, learn, and engage with one another. We are grateful to Alexion, Johnson & Johnson, and NMD Pharma for supporting attendee scholarships.

Fun Extras

Thank you to Johnson & Johnson for sponsoring our badge lanyards, Vor Bio for the water tumblers, Amgen for the custom key cards for resort guests, Tim and Pat Reynolds for providing Our Future Is So Bright sunglasses, and all our partners for helping us offer educational materials to every attendee. We are grateful to Johnson & Johnson for ensuring we could welcome you with special signage at Fort Lauderdale International Airport.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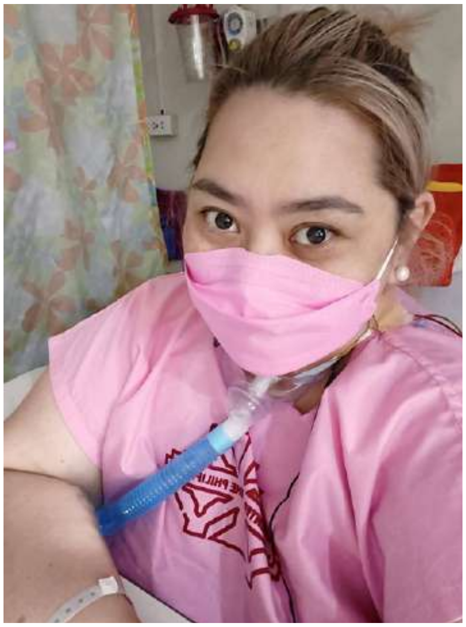

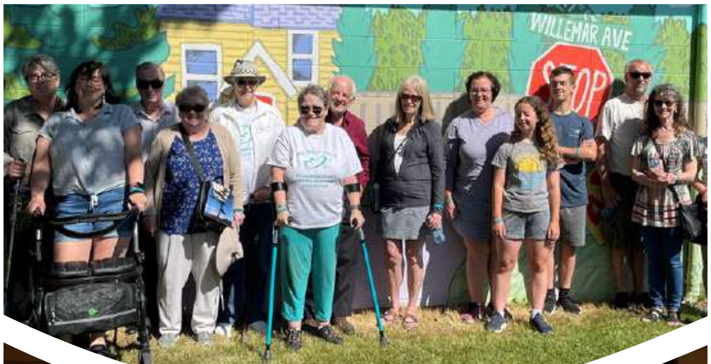
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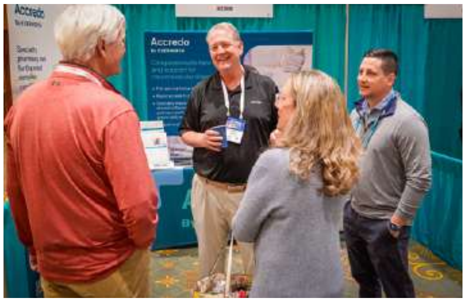
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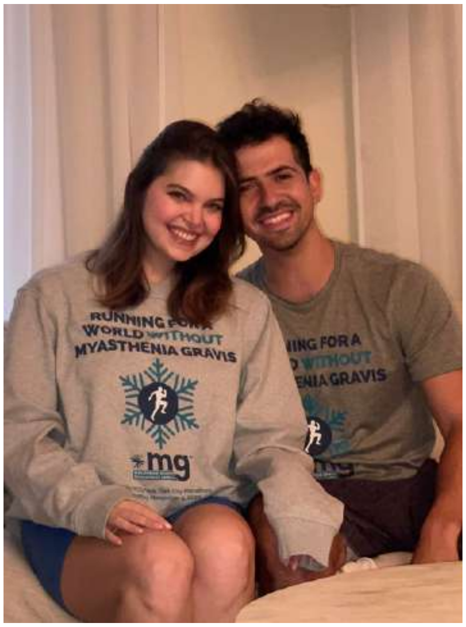
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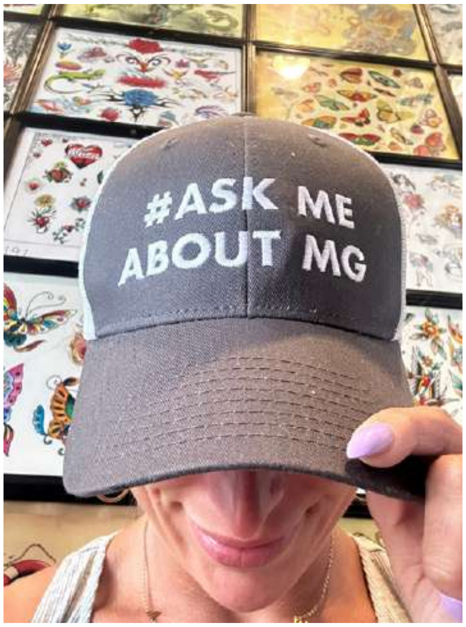
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NOTES

Let us know what you thought of this
year's conference. Take a short survey.

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Join us in 2027—stay tuned for an announcement of the date and location for our next National Patient Conference during the closing remarks!

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