SCLERODERMA SUPPORT GROUP

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SCLERODERMA FOUNDATION SUPPORT · EDUCATION · RESEARCH

TRI-STATE CHAPTER

OUR MISSION Support

Provide education and emotional support to people with scleroderma and their families.

Research

Stimulate and support research designed to identify the cause and cure for scleroderma, as well as improve methods of treatment.

Education

Enhance the public's awareness of this disease.

WHAT IS SCLERODERMA?

Literally, scleroderma means "hard skin" yet it's better characterized as the hardening of the body's connective tissues through an overproduction of collagen. As collagen builds, fibrosis hardens tissues. It is chronic and characterized as an autoimmune disease.

About 300,000 persons in the United States are affected and there are millions of patients world-wide. Women are more likely than men to have scleroderma by a ratio of about 4:1.

The term scleroderma is an umbrella under which many specific types of the disease fall. Each type has its own course and treatment options to help patients live longer, better quality lives, until a cure is found.

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2017 MEETINGS

Our Lady of Peace Church 10950 Main Street Clarence, NY 14031 Community Center

11:00 am

January 28 - Open disscussion

March 18 - Covering resources available to members

May 20 - Stepping Out to Cure Scleroderma Walk - Saturday June 3

> July 15 - Review Walk 2017, Volunteer opportunities

September 16 - Speaker TBD

November 18- Family and Friends Feast

2017 WALKS STEPPING OUT TO CURE SCLERODERMA

REGISTER ONLINE

http://walks.SclerodermaTriState.org
chester, NY Syracuse, NY

Rochester, NY June 3 | 9 am Seneca Park

Buffalo, NY

June II | 9 am Onondaga Lake Park **Manhattan, NY** June II | 9 am

June 3 | 10 am Eastern Hills Mall

Binghamton, NY June 4 | 9 am Otsiningo Park

Long Island, NY June 4 | 9 am Wantagh Park

Albany, NY June 4 | 6:30 pm Crossgates Mall

Hartford, CT June 10 | 9 am University of St Joseph

Ridgefield Park, NJ June II | 9 a.m. Overpeck Park

Riverside Park 96th Street Westchester, NY and Stamford, CT have joined together

June II | 9 am Irvington Union Free High School

Poughkeepsie, NY June 17 | 9 am Vassar College

Staten Island, NY June 25 | 9 am Franklin D. Roosevelt Boardwalk & Beach



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