

# THE INAUGURAL PARTNERSHIP FORUM

**PAL** PARTNERS AGAINST LYME  
AND TICK ASSOCIATED DISEASES

# AGENDA

## A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT OCTOBER 5, 2013

Time	Agenda Item/Topic
7:30 am	<b>Registration and Continental Breakfast</b>
<b>Morning Session: 8:30 to Noon</b>	
8:30 am	<b>Welcome:</b> <a href="#">Sandra Cheldelin</a> ,* Ph.D, Facilitator, Overview of the Day's Activities & Agenda <b>Welcome by</b> <a href="#">Gary Kreps</a> , Ph.D, Director, George Mason University Center for Health and Risk Communications
8:45 am	<b>The Collaborative Effort/ Open Communication Forum</b> – Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator • Explanation of goals and ground rules for the day
8:55 am	<b>Guest Speaker</b> - <a href="#">Ben Beard</a> , Ph.D, CDC - Chief, Bacterial Diseases Branch, Division of Vector-Borne Diseases <b>Lyme Disease in the U.S. – Challenges and Opportunities</b> • Q&A
9:30 am	<b>Introduction to PAL</b> – Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator • <b>Purpose</b> , Monte Skall, Executive Director, National Capital Lyme Disease Association • <b>Vision</b> , Linda Lobes, President, Michigan Lyme Disease Association • <b>Values</b> , Elizabeth Woods, LDUC Canadian Group • <b>Benefits</b> , Lisa Torrey, President, National Tick-Borne Disease Advocates
9:55 am	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> – <a href="#">Joseph Jemsek</a> , M.D., Jemsek Specialty Clinic, Washington D.C. <b>Into The Light: Optimism and Strength Through Unity</b>
10:35 am	Honorary Award Presentation, Joseph Jemsek, M.D., Recipient
<b>Coffee Break 10:45 to 11:00</b>	

11:00 am	<p><b>Advocates Aim for Change and Share Successes</b> – Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Roth, Tick-Borne Disease Alliance (New York)</li> <li>• Leo Shea, M.D., President, ILADS</li> <li>• Elizabeth Wood, Canadian National Lyme and Associated Diseases/LDUC</li> <li>• Lisa Torrey, National Tick-Borne Disease Advocates (Texas)</li> <li>• Lori Kroger, PANDORAorg (Michigan)</li> <li>• Eva Haughie, Empire State Lyme (New York)</li> <li>• Carol Kaye, LifeLyme The Landford Foundation, (Florida)</li> <li>• Joseph Annibali, M.D., Amen Clinics (Virginia)</li> <li>• Mary Jane Heppe, The Mid-Columbia Lyme Group (Oregon)</li> <li>• Char Healy, Hope To Heal Lyme (Virginia)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Lunch Break: Noon to 1:00 pm</b> (<i>Box lunches provided for working lunch</i>)</p>	
12:20 pm	<p>Nanotrap Lyme disease Urine Antigen Test: Introduction to George Mason University's <b>Center for Applied Proteomics and Molecular Medicine</b> (<a href="#">CAPMM</a>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ross M. Dunlap, CEO, <a href="#">Ceres' Nanosciences Inc.....</a></li> <li>• Lance Liotta, M.D., Ph.D, Co-director of <a href="#">CAPMM</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Alessandra Luchini</a>, Ph.D: CAPMM Fellow Premio Award for top Italian woman scientist in North America</li> </ul>
<p><b>Afternoon Sessions: 1:00 to 5:30</b></p>	
1:00 pm	<p><b>Advocates Aim for Change and Share Successes</b> – Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jason Chow, OD, NC Lyme Advocacy (North Carolina)</li> <li>• Monte Skall, National Capital Lyme Disease Association (D.C., Virginia, M.D., NC)</li> <li>• Linda Lobes, Michigan Lyme Disease Association</li> <li>• Connie Dickey, Lyme Disease Association of Tennessee</li> <li>• Julia Wagner, PA Lyme Resource Network (Pennsylvania)</li> <li>• Regina Weichert, Lyme Nation, (New York)</li> <li>• Melissa Bell, Florida Lyme Disease Association</li> <li>• Josh Cutler, Mayday Project (Washington D.C.)</li> <li>• Marilyn Williams, Lyme Disease Association- Eastern Shore of Maryland, Inc.</li> <li>• Trish McCleary, S.L.A.M (Sturbridge Lyme Awareness of Massachusetts)</li> <li>• Lane Poor, The Lyme Newport Support Group (Rhode Island)</li> </ul>
1:50 pm	<p><b>What Could Congressional Investigative Hearings Accomplish?</b> – Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Mark B. Harkins</a> THE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS INSTITUTE AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY Topic: <b>The Role of Congress in Investigating the Federal Government and Independent Agencies</b></li> <li>• <a href="#">Gregg Skall</a>, Esq., Womble Carlyle Sandridge &amp; Rice LLP Topic: <b>Applying investigative hearings to Lyme and Tick-Borne Diseases</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Coffee Break 2:40 to 3:00 pm</b></p>	

3:00 pm	<p><b>The Lessons Learned in Advocating for State Legislation</b> – Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator</p> <p>Virginia Lyme Disease Information Disclosure Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delegate <a href="#">Barbara Comstock</a>, R(34th), Patron, HB 1933</li> <li>• <a href="#">Susan R. Green</a>, Esq., Attorney-at-Law</li> <li>• Monte Skall, Executive Director, National Capital Lyme Disease Association</li> <li>• <a href="#">Rob Catron</a>, Alcalde &amp; Fay, Government Relations</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A follows - Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator</p>
3:30 pm	<p><b>Where Do We Go From Here?</b> - Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator</p> <p>Breakout/ Brainstorming</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What can PAL do to support activists efforts that would have the greatest impact for positive change in our community?</li> <li>• What does PAL need to do to help encourage and support your fundraising efforts?</li> <li>• What can PAL do to further patient support with Lyme and tick-borne diseases?</li> </ul>
4:30 pm	<p><b>Achieving A Common Purpose</b> - Sandra Cheldelin, Facilitator</p> <p>Report back session and moving forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identification and discussion of areas of agreement</li> <li>• Setting up the next meeting /webinar</li> <li>• Closing remarks</li> </ul> <p>2nd Annual PALtad Partnership Forum - 1year out</p>
<p><b>Adjournment – Reception and Light Refreshments 5:30-6:30 pm</b></p>	

\*[Sandra L. Cheldelin](#): Ed. D., University of Florida. Vernon M. and Minnie I. Lynch Professor of Conflict Resolution  
 Intraorganizational and public-sector conflict, multiparty issues. Psychological dimensions of conflict.

All links are live.