

February 20, 2020

We invite you to join us at the 2020 National Organization for Disorders of the Corpus Callosum (NODCC) Conference on Friday, June 26 – Sunday, June 28 in Frisco, Texas.

Disorders of the Corpus Callosum Conference 2020 Highlights

- Featuring 40 informative lectures and discussion groups, the conference's professional presentations are grouped into five tracks under the headings of Medical, Therapies, Behaviors, Education, and Financial/Community Life.
- Sunday morning panel questions and answers discussions on the medical, genetic and behavioral aspects of disorders of the corpus callosum with scientists *Elliott Sherr, MD, PhD*, Brain Development Research Program, University of California, San Francisco; *Lynn K. Paul, PhD*, Corpus Callosum Research Program, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA; and *Warren S. Brown, PhD*, Lee Edward Travis Research Institute, Pasadena, CA.
- Adults 18+ diagnosed with a DCC are invited to participate in discussion groups and life-skills workshops. These sessions include fun role-playing and other interactive techniques to help the adults better understand the world and improve talents and abilities. And...on Saturday afternoon there is an off-site leisure activity planned so everyone can get to know one another better in a fun, casual atmosphere.
- Join in the family fun at the Saturday evening baseball game and barbecue dinner at the Dr. Pepper Ballpark cheering on the Frisco RoughRiders (Texas Rangers' minor league team).
- The Kids and Teens Camps will once again be supervised by Corporate Kids Events for registered attendees aged 2–17 (*limited to 60 children and 20 teens on a first-registered basis*). Open to children with a DCC and their siblings, these camps offer a multitude of activities, games and crafts.
- NODCC encourages scientific research programs because they contribute to advances in the study of disorders of the corpus callosum. Research teams approved by the NODCC Scientific Advisory Board will be conducting research at the conference. If you are interested in participating in or learning more about these projects, please check the box on your registration form. You will be contacted directly by the research project coordinators to arrange an appointment.
- The Silent Auction is a popular conference tradition ... and your contributions to the auction help off-set conference expenses. We sincerely appreciate your donations, such as gift baskets of any kind – gift certificates from national chain stores, restaurants and hotels – vacation weekends and amusement park tickets – sports equipment, memorabilia and game tickets – home décor, jewelry, bath and body products –books, CDs and DVDs – unique arts, crafts and pottery – specialty clothing, jewelry and handcrafts – toys and kids gifts – local souvenirs – or whatever you think would be great auction merchandise!

To donate send us an email, or simply download a Silent Auction form located in the conference section at <http://nodcc.org/conferences/silent-auction/>

Conference Registration and Lodging

Through the generosity of those who participate in the auction, the kindness of our professional speakers who donate their time and expertise, and the financial gifts from our sponsors and supporters, the NODCC is able to once again offer a very affordable conference registration fee of \$275.00 person through March 20, 2020.

Registration fee includes:

- Admission to the 3-Day Conference (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) 40 lectures and discussion groups
- Friday afternoon lunch, Friday evening dinner and special evening program
- Saturday afternoon lunch and Saturday evening baseball game with dinner at the ballpark – great fun for everyone!
- Sunday afternoon lunch banquet and panel discussion with parents of children with a DCC
- Exhibitors providing a variety of helpful information and services
- Complimentary childcare in the Kids & Teens Camps for registered attendees aged 2–17

This summer's conference will be held at the Embassy Suites Frisco Hotel Convention Center & Spa, located in Frisco, Texas. A block of rooms has been held for the NODCC conference attendees only, at the rate of \$159.00 USD per night plus tax on a first-reserved basis. Room options include king and 2 queen bed suites. To book rooms online please follow the link below: https://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/D/DALFSES-NOD-20200625/index.html?WT.mc_id=POG&fbclid=IwAR0dv4nLkGjpCm16ANqurgVlr3YmoFCC7EwJj_1jniqFavmbL7hgUZs3qXs or call the hotel at 972-712-7200. Enjoy the heated indoor pool (bring your swimsuit), and the comfortable areas throughout the hotel to relax and chat.

Reservations must be made before June 8, 2020 to receive the group rate. Hotel rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes. If you wish to extend your visit either before or after the three-day conference, please contact the hotel directly to request the NODCC group rate. Space is based on availability.

Embassy Suites by Hilton Dallas Frisco Hotel Convention Center & Spa
7600 John Q. Hammons Drive
Frisco, Texas 75034

There is a parking coverage connected to the hotel for self-parking at \$5/per day Valet parking is also available for \$10/per day.

Frisco offers fun for the whole family in a safe, affordable and unique setting. Located just 25 minutes north of downtown Dallas, Frisco is a convenient 20-minute drive from both Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport and Dallas Love Field Airport.

Like sports? Frisco is the home to the **Dallas Cowboys** headquarters and state-of-the-art practice facility, The Star. The **National Soccer Hall of Fame** is also in Frisco next to Toyota Stadium, home of **FC Dallas**. The Dallas Stars and **Texas Legends** play at the Stars Center while the **Frisco RoughRiders** take the field at Dr Pepper Ballpark.

Stroll through history of video games and play “pong” on the world’s largest home “pong” console at the **National Videogame Museum**. For details on things to do, shopping, dining and more, check out Visit Frisco at www.visitfrisco.com/things-to-do/

We sincerely welcome and encourage you to join us in this incredibly enriching and celebratory event!

Just a reminder... be sure to register no later than March 20, 2020 to ensure admission and the \$275.00 rate. Details and registration form are enclosed.

In order to ensure the fiscal viability of this summer's conference **we need to raise \$80,000.**

If you have any business contacts or if your family would be interested in donating \$1,000 to be a lecture session sponsor ... or if you would like to contribute a personal donation in any amount ... or if you would be willing to send requests for donations to your family and friends ... please let us know.