NYC Marfan Syndrome and Related Disorders Symposium

Sunday, April 15, 2018 | 8:00 am–4:00 pm
Weill Cornell Medicine
1300 York Avenue, Uris Auditorium (at 69th Street) | New York, NY

Today’s symposium is intended to offer people living with Marfan syndrome and related disorders, and their families, support as well as information about their health. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions of leading medical experts, including members of The Marfan Foundation’s Professional Advisory Board.

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Program

Sunday, April 15, 2018
8:00am–9:00am
Registration & Breakfast | Outside Auditorium/Griffis

9:00am–9:15am
Welcome and Opening Remarks
Michael Weamer
President and CEO of The Marfan Foundation

Richard Devereux, MD, FACC
Professor of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, Department of Medicine
NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | Weill Cornell Medicine

11:00am–11:30am
Chairman, Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery
Leonard N. Girardi, MD
Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics
11:45am–12:15pm
G & A Panel

9:15am–9:45am
Marfan Syndrome and Related Disorders 101
Mary J. Roman, MD, FACC
Professor of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, Department of Medicine
NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | Weill Cornell Medicine

9:45am–10:15am
Advances in Genetics & Imaging of Marfan Syndrome and Related Disorders
Richard B. Devereux, MD, FACC
Professor of Medicine, Division of Cardiology, Department of Medicine
NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | Weill Cornell Medicine

10:15am–10:45am
Surgery for Aneurysms of the Aortic Root: What is the Role of Valve-Sparing Surgery?
Leonard N. Girardi, MD
O. Wayne Isom Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery
Cardiothoracic Surgeon-in-Chief
NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | Weill Cornell Medicine

10:45am–11:00am
Break

11:00am–11:30am
Marfan Syndrome and Related Disorders: The Pediatric Perspective
Patrick A. Flynn, MD
Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics
Division of Pediatric Cardiology
Department of Pediatrics
NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medicine

11:30am–11:45am
Backpack Health and the Marfan and Related Disorders International Patient Registry
Brett Collinson
2WP Product for Backpack Health

11:45am–12:15pm
G & A Panel

12:15pm–1:00pm
Creating Connections Lunch
Griffis Faculty Club

1:00pm–1:30pm
Management of Adolescent Spinal Deformity in Marfan Syndrome
Roger F. Widmann, MD
Leah Root Chair in Pediatric Orthopaedics
Chief of Pediatric Orthopaedic Surgery
Hospital for Special Surgery
Professor of Clinical Orthopaedic Surgery
NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | Weill Cornell Medicine

1:30pm–2:00pm
Ocular Manifestations of Marfan Syndrome
Daniel Rosberger, MD, PhD, MPH
Clinical Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology
Department of Ophthalmology
NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | Weill Cornell Medicine

2:00pm–2:30pm
Non-Aortic Thoracic Surgery in Marfan Patients
Brendon Stiles, MD
Associate Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery
Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery
NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital | Weill Cornell Medicine

2:30pm–3:00pm
Quality of Life—Pan Management
Susan Leshen, LCSW
Senior Director of Patient and Program Services and Volunteer Leadership for The Marfan Foundation

2:30pm–3:30pm
G & A Panel

3:30pm–3:45pm
Closing Remarks
Leonard N. Girardi, MD

Our Speakers

Dr. Leonard N. Girardi, Chairman of the Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, attended medical school at Weill Cornell Medical College and performed both his general surgery and cardiothoracic surgery training at the NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center. He joined Weill Cornell’s Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery in 1997 after completing a fellowship in aortic surgery at the Baylor College of Medicine. In addition to his role at Weill Cornell Medicine, Dr. Girardi serves as the cardiothoracic surgeon-in-chief at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center. He is also on the surgical staff at the NewYork-Presbyterian/Columbia University Medical Center, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and the Hospital for Special Surgery. Dr. Girardi is currently a member of the Marfan Foundation Professional Advisory Board.

Dr. Richard Devereux is a Professor of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medicine. She has been involved in clinical care and research on the Marfan syndrome and related disorders since the late 1980s. She has served on the Board of Directors of the Marfan Foundation and is currently a member of the Foundation’s Professional Advisory Board. She was a member of the Marfan Foundation Professional Advisory Board.

Dr. Mary J. Roman is a Professor of Medicine at NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital. She has served in clinical care and research on the Marfan syndrome and related disorders since the late 1980s. She has served on the Board of Directors of the Marfan Foundation and is currently a member of the Foundation’s Professional Advisory Board. She was a member of the Marfan Foundation Professional Advisory Board.

Dr. Richard F. Widmann is a board-certified ophthalmologist specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases of the retina, vitreous and macula. He graduated from Cornell University, College of Arts and Sciences where he was on the Dean’s List. He received his medical degree (M.D.) from Weill Cornell Medical College Medical College with honors in all clinical clerkships and his doctorate (Ph.D.) from the Department of Immunology and Microbiology at the Medical University of South Carolina. Dr. Rosberger was elected to membership in the Medical Honor Society, Alpha Omega Alpha, and the Scientific Honor Society, Sigma Xi. Dr. Rosberger completed an internship in Internal Medicine and residency in Ophthalmology at NewYork-Presbyterian/Lower Manhattan Hospital, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Hospital for Special Surgery.

Dr. David J. B. Stiles is a thoracic surgeon at NewYork-Presbyterian and an Associate Professor of Cardiothoracic Surgery at Weill Cornell Medicine, specializing in lung cancer. Dr. Stiles has served on the Scientific Advisory Board of the Lung Cancer Research Foundation since 2014 and in 2017 became Chair of the Board of Directors. In addition to his duties with the LCRF, Dr. Stiles is an active basic science and clinical researcher, and a member of several surgical and scientific societies and grant review panels.

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Dr. Roger F. Widmann is Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Weill Cornell Medicine, and he has served as Chief of the Pediatric Orthopaedic Surgery Service at Hospital for Special Surgery since 2004. Dr. Widmann specializes in the surgical and nonsurgical treatment of pediatric spinal deformity and pediatric limb deformity. Dr. Widmann is an expert pediatric spinal deformity surgeon and pediatric limb deformity surgeon with established clinical and research expertise, and has published over 50 peer-reviewed articles and multiple book chapters. Dr. Widmann is focused on providing state-of-the-art surgical and nonsurgical management for pediatric patients with complex deformities. Dr. Widmann is a member of the Scoliosis Research Society, the Pediatric Orthopaedic Society of North America and the Lima Lengthening and Reconstruction Society, and he has served on numerous national committees.

Susan Leshen, LCSW, is the Senior Director of Patient and Program Services and Volunteer Leadership for The Marfan Foundation. She has been a clinical social worker working with a variety of populations for over 26 years. Susan believes in empowering people to live their best life.

Dr. Patrick A. Flynn is an Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at Weill Cornell Medicine and Associate Attending Pediatrician at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center. He graduated as class valedictorian from Villanova University in 1983, receiving the Leonardo da Vinci Award for excellence in science and the humanities. He received his medical degree from the University of Maryland School of Medicine. He completed his internship and residency at NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center, serving as Chief Resident in Pediatrics in 1989-90. His fellowship was performed in Pediatric Cardiology at NewYork-Presbyterian Lower Manhattan Hospital.

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