



Please Join Us
at the
**Third International Tracheostomy
Symposium**
including
**The Global Tracheostomy Collaborative
2016 North American Kickoff
April 29 - 30, 2016**





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Hello,

It is our pleasure to invite you to the Third International Tracheostomy Symposium which will be held April 29-30, 2016 at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland. The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, The Global Tracheostomy Collaborative (GTC), and Austin Health are partnering to host this exciting event. This event promises to be a key educational event for organizations, professionals, patients, and family members who are dedicated to improving tracheostomy care.

The Global Tracheostomy Collaborative (GTC) is a worldwide quality collaborative that brings together patients, families, doctors, nurses, speech pathologists and respiratory therapists from around the world. The aim of the collaborative is to improve the lives of children and adults across the globe that have a tracheostomy tube.

In 2012, Dr. Roberson, an ENT Specialist at Harvard and Boston Children's Hospital, contacted a group of tracheostomy experts around the world to create this collaborative. The GTC has previously held kick-off events in the US, Europe, and Australia. The upcoming meeting will continue to spread the growth of the GTC within North America. The GTC is excited to participate in this Third International Tracheostomy Symposium presented by Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. It would be great to have you there!

Patients, families, and caregivers are invited to attend this two-day event. Friday, April 29, 2016 will consist of a GTC Morning Kickoff Session, lunch, and a Patient and Family Session in the afternoon. The afternoon session is specifically for patients, family members, their caregivers, and professionals that work closely with patient initiatives. You are also invited to attend an Excellence in Care educational series on Saturday, April 30, 2016 and meet informally with other patients and families attending the event. For more information and to register, click here: <http://www.hopkinscme.edu/CourseDetail.aspx/80038429>.

The aim of the Patient and Family Session is to hear your voice and to share what is most important to you. As we strive to improve tracheostomy care, your experience of living with a tracheostomy is very important to us. Additionally, you will be able to meet other families, international tracheostomy experts and to hear a little more about the GTC.



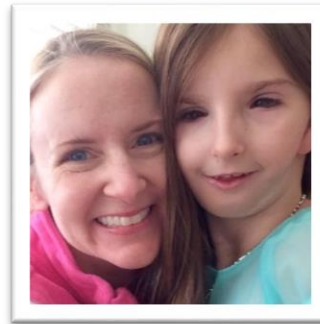


If you would like to be a part of this exciting event, please look at the Johns Hopkins CME website, <http://www.hopkinscme.edu/CourseDetail.aspx/80038429> for registration information.

If you would like any information or help registering, please contact us.

Best regards,

Erin Ward, Parent, GTC Patient and Family Committee Chair
Suzanne Barghaan, Parent, GTC Patient and Family Committee Officer
Sarah Rose Cass, Family Member, ITS Logistics Sub-Committee
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On behalf of the Patient and Family Session Speakers and Moderators:
Suzanne Barghaan, PMP, Meredith Hurston, MHA, MT (ASCP), Michael McCormick, MD
Kristy McMurray, RN, Margaret Skinner, MD, Matthew Stewart, MD, PhD, MS,
Erin Ward, MS.Ed

On behalf of the Third International Tracheostomy Symposium Logistics Sub-Committee:
Suzanne Barghaan, PMP, Sarah Rose Cass, BA, Linda Morris, PhD, APN, CCNS, FCCM,
Diane Randall, RRT-NPS, Sarah Sexton, NP, Erin Ward, MS.Ed, Sonia Yuen, BA

And on behalf of the Third International Tracheostomy Symposium Activity Directors:
Michael Brenner, MD, FACS, and Vinciya Pandian, PhD, MSN, ACNP-BC and
Co-Activity Directors: David Feller-Kopman, MD, FCCP and Margaret Skinner, MD





Conference Information

Thank you for your interest in joining us at the Third International Tracheostomy Symposium. We are so grateful to hear the parent, patient, and family voice as we consider how to improve care. We are excited to learn from the experts who live with trachs every day.

The conference is located in the Thomas B. Turner Building at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, 720 Rutland Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland 21205; April 29-30, 2016. We will have one room allocated for a suction machine and oxygen tank, and a respiratory therapist will be available to help patients.

The enrollment price for patients and family members for the two day program is \$50.00 per person (or \$25.00 per person/per day). All attendees must register to attend. Breakfast, lunch, and breaks both days is included in the registration fee. If you can only attend one day, please contact the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine Office of Continuing Medical Education by calling (410) 502-9636 or via email, crrc@jhmi.edu. Flash drives of speaker presentations will be available for no additional fee. All registrants will get the flash drive.





Getting to Johns Hopkins Medical Campus

Plane

The major airport in the area is Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI) - 14 miles

Train

Use amtrak.com to locate trains to and from Baltimore - Penn Station. The Baltimore - Penn Station is 2.5 miles away from Johns Hopkins Medical Center. Taxi service is available at Penn Station.

Parking

Parking at Johns Hopkins medical campus is at a premium. However, to keep it simple for patients, families and visitors to get to the main hospital complex, the primary garage is the *Orleans Street Garage* located across the street from the main entrance to The Johns Hopkins Hospital. A pedestrian bridge extends across Orleans Street from the fourth level and handicapped parking is available in this garage. Please note that the *Orleans Street Garage* and the Turner Building, where the conference is located, are a 10-15 minute walk apart and assistance will be available to get you to the conference location.

The *Washington Street Garage* is a two block walk from the Turner Building, with outdoor access via Monument Street. The *Washington Street Garage* is the only parking garage that offers complimentary parking fees on Saturday ONLY. Other garages are available at full parking rates. The *Kennedy Krieger Garage* is located across the street from the Turner Building and has valet parking available for handicapped patrons and self-parking for other patrons. Parking rates for *Kennedy Krieger* are determined by that institution.





Parking Rates for Johns Hopkins Garages, excluding *Kennedy Krieger Garage*:

\$4.00	Up to 1 hour
\$5.00	Up to 3 hours
\$6.00	Up to 4 hours
\$7.00	Up to 5 hours
\$8.00	Up to 6 hours
\$12.00	Maximum for 24 hours

Subject to change without notice.

The ITS will also have free parking passes available for patients and families on both days, but these passes are only accepted at the *Orleans* or *Rutland Parking Garages*. Handicapped parking is available in the nearby *Rutland Garage*. Only those vehicles with handicapped license plates will be able to park in the *Rutland Garage*, space permitting. For those who would like to drop off patients or family members, the drop off location is 733 N. Broadway, Baltimore, Maryland 21205. A conference guide will be available for those requiring assistance.

Driving Instructions:

From Washington, D.C., Virginia and the I- 95 access at BWI Airport

Take I- 95 North to Exit 53 (I- 395 North) into downtown Baltimore. Continue straight on I- 395 (stay left at fork; turns into Howard Street). Turn RIGHT onto Pratt Street. Continue on Pratt for approximately 1.5 miles to Broadway; turn LEFT on Broadway

Hospital Parking (Orleans Garage): From Broadway, turn RIGHT onto Orleans Street. Turn RIGHT into the Orleans Garage (at the Orleans Garage traffic light).

From Philadelphia, New York and Northeastern Baltimore Suburbs

Take I- 95 South to Baltimore; merge onto I- 895 South. From I- 895 South, take Exit 14/Moravia Road; turn LEFT onto Moravia Road at the traffic light at the end of the exit. Turn RIGHT onto the US- 40 West/Pulaski Highway ramp.





Hospital Parking (Orleans Garage): Continue on US- 40 West / Pulaski Highway (turns into Orleans Street) approximately 3 miles to N. Wolfe Street. Immediately after crossing N. Wolfe Street, turn LEFT at the Orleans Garage traffic light (the hospital will be on your right).

From York, Central Pennsylvania and Northern Baltimore Suburbs

Take I- 83 South into Baltimore. At the end of the freeway, turn LEFT onto Fayette Street. Continue on Fayette Street to Broadway and turn LEFT
Hospital Parking (Orleans Garage): From Broadway, turn RIGHT onto Orleans Street. Turn RIGHT into the Orleans Garage (at the Orleans Garage traffic light).

From Annapolis and Maryland's Eastern Shore

From Route 50, take I- 97 toward Baltimore and follow I- 97 to the Baltimore Beltway (I- 695) toward Towson. Take the Beltway to the Baltimore- Washington Parkway (I- 295) North. Follow I- 295 into Baltimore (it becomes Russell Street). Turn RIGHT on Pratt Street. Stay on Pratt for approximately 1.5 miles to Broadway; turn LEFT on Broadway.
Hospital Parking (Orleans Garage): From Broadway, turn RIGHT onto Orleans Street. Turn RIGHT into the Orleans Garage (at the Orleans Garage traffic light).

From Frederick and Western Maryland

Take I- 70 East. Merge onto I- 695 S/Baltimore Beltway outer loop via EXIT 91A toward I- 95 S/Glen Burnie. Take Exit 11A- 11B for I- 95 North/I- 95 South toward Baltimore/Washington; keep left at the fork and merge onto I- 95 North. Take I- 95 North to Exit 53 (I- 395 North) into downtown Baltimore. Continue straight on I- 395 (stay left at fork; turns into Howard Street). Turn RIGHT onto Pratt Street. Continue on Pratt for approximately 1.5 miles to Broadway; turn LEFT on Broadway.
Hospital Parking (Orleans Garage): From Broadway, turn RIGHT onto Orleans Street. Turn RIGHT into the Orleans Garage (at the Orleans Garage traffic light).





Getting Around Baltimore

There is mass transit, including a Metro subway (use the MTA website: <http://mta.maryland.gov/>) in addition to taxi services from Yellow Cab, (410) 685-1212, Sun Cab, (410) 235-0300, Checker Cab, (443) 966-3075, or Uber (app). Note that there are two Metro subway stops at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. One subway stop is near the Outpatient Center and the other stop is located outside and requires you to go outside and up an escalator.

Some area hotels offer shuttle services to The Johns Hopkins Hospital, however, please note that shuttles may not have accessible lifts. Please clarify lift availability with your hotel.

Through the MTA, Mobility/Paratransit service is for citizens who are unable to use Local Bus, Metro/Subway or Light Rail service. Mobility/Paratransit service is provided by the MTA via contracts with Veolia Transportation, MV Transportation, and First Transit Inc. Certified Riders may go to <https://passweb.mta.maryland.gov/> for more information or to use PASS Web. Pre-registration is required.

If you need specific assistance, contact Guest Services at The Johns Hopkins Hospital at (410) 614-5100 for more information on services Johns Hopkins has to offer for those that require mobility access or for any other assistance.

Lodging

The Johns Hopkins website also has a list of nearby lodging ranked by features and price:

http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/contentInclude/jhh_comp_accommodations_list.pdf

Helpful Links



Johns Hopkins Medicine ITS Course Page:

<http://www.hopkinscme.edu/CourseDetail.aspx/80038429>

Hotels:

http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/contentInclude/jhh_comp_accommodations_list.pdf

Hopkins Visitor Guide:

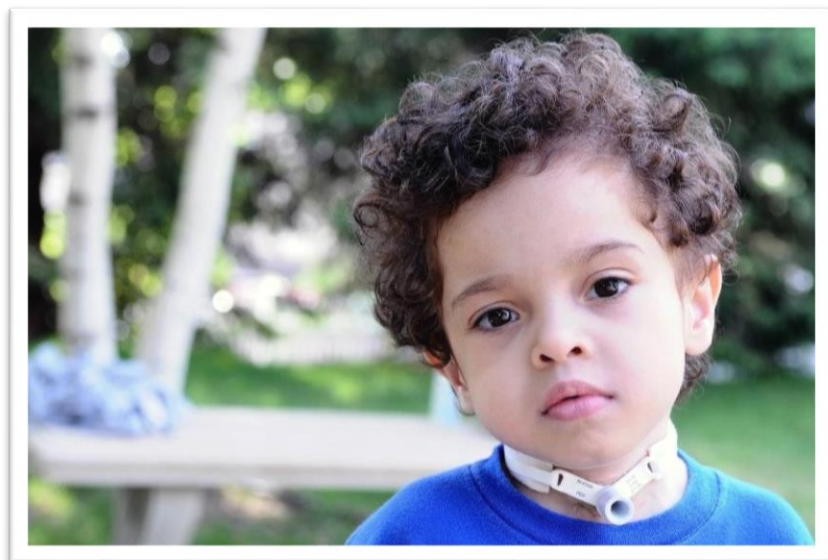
http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/the_johns_hopkins_hospital/docs/jhi_visitors_guide.pdf

Hopkins Transit:

http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/directions/travel_to_baltimore.html

Global Tracheostomy Collaborative:

<http://globaltrach.org/>



Want to Stay Involved? Patient and Family Opportunities

Dear Patient, Family Member, or Caregiver,

On behalf of patients and families, we'd like to welcome you to the Global Tracheostomy Collaborative. As a mother of a child with a tracheostomy, I've experienced many of the challenges that families and individuals with tracheostomies face each day. Along with medical concerns, navigating systems of care and often fragmented services can be daunting. The GTC is dedicated to improving tracheostomy care at a global level, and we are thrilled that you are interested in joining us!

We are committed to integrating the patient and family voice into the GTC's quality improvement initiatives. We have been networking with patient and families in the tracheostomy community to spread the news about the GTC and gather input on priorities and needs. At each of our GTC continent Kick-Off events, we've held a Patient and Family Session and we look forward to having you participate in the Patient and Family Session at the upcoming Third International Tracheostomy Symposium presented by Johns Hopkins Medicine.

Thank you for your interest in improving tracheostomy care! There is an incredible need to improve care for the tracheostomy community and I am hopeful that together we will bring about positive change. We look forward to working with you and helping to further incorporate the patient and family voice into our efforts.

Sincerely,

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[Global Tracheostomy Collaborative](#) [Patient and Family Activities](#)

The Global Tracheostomy Collaborative is working to improve the quality of care for trach patients around the world. You can lend your voice and get involved at their website, globaltrach.org where you can:

- Sign up for a Free Patient and Family Membership
- Share your story and experience
- Find resources for patients & families and help us identify more
- Follow the GTC through social media
- Spread the word to your providers
- Be involved in improvement efforts at your local hospitals

If you have questions, reach out to patientandfamilies@globaltrach.org.

