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**NEUROPATHY ACTION FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL “NEUROPATHY ACTION AWARENESS DAY,” LARGEST NEUROPATHY-RELATED PATIENT EVENT IN THE UNITED STATES**

*Registration Now Open for LA-Area Event Dedicated to Raising Awareness of Neuropathy and Improving the Quality of Life for Neuropathy Patients; Event to Feature Leading Medical Professionals*

LOS ANGELES (April 8, 2016) – The Neuropathy Action Foundation (NAF), a 501(c)(3) non-profit dedicated to providing neuropathy patients with the resources necessary to improve their quality of life, announced that registration is now open for its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual “Neuropathy Action Awareness Day,” an all-day educational event on June 23<sup>rd</sup> in Los Angeles. “Neuropathy Action Awareness Day” will be the largest neuropathy gathering in the United States this year and will bring together patients and caregivers from across the country to learn about neuropathy, strategies for managing the painful condition, and empowering patients to become advocates for their own health care.

The event consists of educational presentations, luncheon, exhibit area and silent auction. Spinal cord injury, recovering athlete and motivator, **Grant Korgan**, will speak during the luncheon on “The Power of Positivity: Turning Attitude Into Action.” Other speakers include:

- **Jonathan Katz, MD**, Chief of Neuromuscular Services at California Pacific Medical Center, will illustrate the understanding of a neurologist’s approach to the diagnosis and treatment of neuropathy;
- **Todd Levine, MD**, Clinical Assistant Professor, University of Arizona, will discuss the whole body experience: neuropathy from head to toe;
- **Tahseen Mozaffar, MD**, Associate Professor of Neurology and Orthopaedic Surgery, Director ALS and Neuromuscular Center, University of California, Irvine, will talk about immune mediated neuropathies and IVIG 101;
- **Melina Jampolis, MD**, Celebrity Internist and Board Certified MD Nutrition Specialist, will discuss food as medicine and how to improve health, increase vitality and live longer.
- **Ashley Uyeshiro Simon, OTD,OTR/L**, Assistant Professor of Clinical Occupational Therapy, University of Southern California Occupational Therapy Faculty Practice, will give a talk on managing fatigue through lifestyle modifications.

“This event provides patients with a forum for sharing information and empowering themselves to become more effective advocates,” said NAF President Dominick Spatafora. “As chronic pain begins to receive additional attention and access to IVIG and other medications continue to be a challenge, it is more critical than ever that we increase awareness of neuropathy for the estimated 20 million neuropathy patients in the United States.”



The event is from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Thursday, June 23 at the Intercontinental Hotel in Los Angeles located at 2151 Avenue of the Stars. The event is FREE of charge; however, NAF requests a \$25 donation from patients and caregivers and \$125 from others who attend the luncheon. **Register today at (877) 512-7262 or [www.neuropathyaction.org](http://www.neuropathyaction.org)**

Interested patients or providers who are unable to attend in person can register to watch free of charge online. The entire day will be broadcast live and will provide digital attendees the ability to ask the speakers questions and receive an answer in real time.

**About the Neuropathy Action Foundation**

The Neuropathy Action Foundation (NAF), a 501(c)(3) non-profit, is dedicated to ensuring neuropathy patients obtain the necessary resources, information and tools to access individualized treatment to improve their quality of life. The NAF increases awareness among physicians, the general public and public policy officials that neuropathy can potentially be a serious, widespread and disabling condition, which may be treatable when appropriate medical care is provided. [www.neuropathyaction.org](http://www.neuropathyaction.org)

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