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Celebrates Lupus Awareness Month 2023

We want to celebrate you! Join our IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL PROGRAMS in honor of Lupus Awareness Month

In-person

Virtual

Thursday, May 4th, 12:30pm-1:30pm

Living Healthy with Lupus: Alternative Treatments & Lupus Join **Dr. Lisa Sammaritano**, Rheumatologist at Hospital for Special Surgery, for an important presentation on Alternative Treatments & Lupus and an update on lupus medications. **Lunch will be provided. Register Here: CLICK HERE**

Tuesday, May 23rd, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Virtual

HSS/NY Presbyterian Lower Manhattan Hospital's Chinese Community Partnership for Health (CCPH) Health Workshop "Pain Management" - Join Sophia Deng, RN at Hospital for Special

Surgey, as she discusses pain medications/safety and shares tips for managing chronic pain issues. **This free program is conducted in Cantonese.**

For more information & registration, please contact Eliza Ngan-Dittgen at lantern@hss.edu or 646.797.8338

In the Community

Wednesday, May 10th, 1:00pm-2:00pm Understanding Laboratory Tests & Results for Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE)

Understanding the "what, how and why" of lab tests and their results can make you a more informed and active partner in your care. Please join **Dr. Sarah Lieber**, Rheumatologist at Hospital for Special Surgery, as she shares her expertise and answers your questions related to lab tests used in lupus.

Register Here: CLICK HERE

In-person

Thursday, May 11th, 1:00pm-2:00pm Lunch & Learn: What You Need to Know About Lupus & the Kidneys?

Join **Dr. Laura Geraldino-Pardilla**, Associate Professor of Medicine, Lupus Clinic Director, Division of Rheumatology, Columbia University Irving Medical Center, as she shares her expertise and answers your questions regarding what you need to know about lupus & the kidneys. **Lunch will be provided. Register Here: CLICK HERE**

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Wednesday, May 17th, 5:30pm-6:30pm Sexual Health, Pregnancy and Lupus

Please join **Dr. Caroline Siegel**, Rheumatologist at Hospital for Special Surgery, as she shares her expertise and answers your questions related to Reproductive/Sexual health, Pregnancy and Lupus. **Register Here: CLICK HERE**

Wednesday, May 3rd, 4:00pm-4:30pm

Chinese Radio AM1480 Live Broadcast NY Presbyterian Lower Manhattan Hospital's (CCPH) Health Series

"What is Lupus"- This educational interview with **Eliza Ngan-Dittgen**, Program Supervisor, LANtern® (Lupus Asian Network) is conducted in Cantonese Chinese. Tune in to learn about lupus, its symptoms and treatment.

Saturday, May 13th, 11:00am-12:00pm LANtern[®] Support Group: Virtual

Come join a free Asian support group where you can share coping strategies and feel supported on your lupus journey. Meeting is in Cantonese Chinese and facilitated by Eliza Ngan-Dittgen, Program Supervisor, LANtern[®] (Lupus Asian Network). For meeting details & registration, please contact **Eliza** at **lantern@hss.edu** or **646.797.8338**

Virtual

Thursday, May 18th, 5:30pm-8:00pm Teen Young Adult and Parent Virtual Support Group

Coordinated by Charla de Lupus (Lupus Chat)[®] Program Coordinator, Giselle Rodriguez, LCSW, Senior Program Associate, Lillian Mendez and Kimberly Cabrera, Program Associate. For meeting details, please contact **Giselle** at **charla@hss.edu**.

In-person

Virtual

Thursday, May 18th, 10:30am-11:30am Tai Chi Class

Join **Pin Pin Su**, Tai Chi/Meditation Instructor & Expressive Therapist, for a free session to learn Tai Chi and enhance the mind-body connection. **Please wear comfortable clothing to participate.**

Register Here: CLICK HERE

Monday, May 22nd, 5:30pm (EST)/2:30pm (PDT) Managing Stress & Lupus

Join **Dr. Ruth Fernández Ruiz**, Rheumatologist at Hospital for Special Surgery & **Juana Mata**, Co-Founder of Looms for Lupus and lupus patient as they lead an important discussion on lupus and stress management techniques. They will be sharing coping strategies to boost your emotional wellbeing while living with lupus.

This program will be conducted in Spanish. Register Here: CLICK HERE

Saturday, May 20th, 9:00am at Foley Square Arthritis Foundation of New York Annual Virtual Walk to Cure Arthritis

To walk with the HSS Department of Social Work Programs, please contact: **Rosalia Duarte**, LMSW, at **212.774.7605**.

If you would like more information about our community events, please contact: Assistant Director, Lupus Programs & Community Engagement, **Priscilla Calvache, LCSW, at 212.774.2108**.



Hospital for Special Surgery's Lupus and APS Center of Excellence integrates treatment, research and education with the goal of improving the lives of patients with lupus or antiphospholipid syndrome (APS). The center features a multidisciplinary staff of doctors, nurses and social workers who implement novel disease prevention to achieve optimal patient outcomes. For more information, please visit hss.edu/lupuscenter or email LupusAPSCenter@hss.edu.

The Department of Social Work Programs' mission is to support, empower and enhance the quality of life for people with rheumatology and orthopedic conditions, and their loved ones. Please visit us at: hss.edu/social-work-programs