

Sixth Annual Palatucci Forum: 2008

The Sixth Annual Donald M. Palatucci Advocacy Leadership Forum recently trained 29 new advocacy leaders in Fort Lauderdale, FL. Participants were educated on effective grassroots advocacy and media skills. They also worked to develop a range of personal action plans, including:

- Improving stroke care in Sri Lanka
- Developing state neurological societies in Missouri, New York, and Oklahoma
- Enhancing the care of dementia patients and increasing their caregivers' support
- Educating young adults on preventable risk factors for stroke
- Regional collaboration to improve MS care, research, and education

See if any 2008 Forum participants live in your community:

- Tamer Abdelhak, MD / West Bloomfield, Michigan
- Zoe Arvanitakis, MD, MS / Chicago, Illinois
- Angela Bates, MD / Dallas, Texas
- Richard S. Bedlack, MD, PhD / Durham, North Carolina
- Cynthia Bodkin, MD / St. Louis Park, Minnesota
- Richard D. Brower, MD, FAAN / El Paso, Texas
- Javier Cardenas, MD / Phoenix, Arizona
- Larry Charleston, IV, MD / Houston, Texas
- Zahid Cheema, MD / Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- Cynthia L. Comella, MD, FAAN / Chicago, Illinois
- Farrah N. Daly, MD / Alexandria, Virginia
- Corey R. Fehnel, MD / Boston, Massachusetts
- David M. Ficker, MD / Cincinnati, Ohio
- Robert C. Griggs, MD, FAAN / Rochester, New York
- Sandra L. Helmers, MD, FAAN / Atlanta, Georgia
- Daniel Kantor, MD / Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida
- Eugene May, MD, FAAN / Seattle, Washington
- Teshamae Monteith, MD / New York, New York
- Karen J. Pentella, MD / Saint Louis, Missouri
- Meril S. Platzer, MD / Agoura Hills, California
- Marcus Ponce De Leon, MD / El Paso, Texas
- Daniel C. Potts, MD / Tuscaloosa, Alabama
- Tarakad S. Ramachandran, MD, FAAN / Jamesville, New York
- Rosario Maria S. Riel-Romero, MD / Shreveport, Louisiana
- James K. Sheffield, MD / Houston, Texas
- Mamta Bhushan Singh, MBBS, MD, DM / New Delhi, India
- Anand Girish Vaishnav, MD / Lexington, Kentucky
- Tissa Wijeratne, MD / Victoria, Australia
- Alexander Zubkov, MD, PhD / Rochester, Minnesota

Find out more about the 2008 Advocates:

http://www.aan.com/news/index.cfm?event=read&article_id=2801&page=176.38.38

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