INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE DYSTONIA COALITION

On November 3, 2009, over 60 people gathered in Washington DC for a meeting to discuss the new Dystonia Coalition Grant that was funded by the Office of Rare Disease Research through the National Institutes of Health. In attendance were health care professionals across the various disciplines including neurology, neurosurgery, otolaryngology, speech therapy, psychology, along with representatives from the National Institutes of Health, pharmaceutical companies, and patient advocacy groups including the NSDA. Scientific Director Christy Ludlow also held a training meeting the next day for the Spasmodic Dysphonia Diagnosis and Assessment Procedure Grant.

Dr. Christy Ludlow presents an overview of her study.

Representatives from the Patient Advocacy Groups

Participants of the Dystonia Coalition Meeting

Drs. Christy Ludlow and H.A. Jinnah, Principal investigator of the Dystonia Coalition Grant

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