Agenda for Dystonia Coalition’s Fourth Annual Meeting
Day 1: Research Priorities in Blepharospasm
13-14 September 2012
Chicago, IL

8:00am Welcome
8:05am Goals for the meeting

Session 1  Chair: Stacy
8:10-8:25am Epidemiology & relationships among the focal dystonias
DeFazio
Comments & questions
8:35-8:50am Differential diagnosis of blepharospasm: tics, hemifacial spasm & apraxia
Jankovic
Comments & questions
9:00-9:15am Photophobia & heightened sensory sensitivities
Digre
Comments & questions
9:25-9:40am Dry eyes, blepharitis, and other ophthalmic conditions
Burns
Comments & questions
9:50-10:05 Botulinum toxins treatments & their limitations in blepharospasm
Scott
Comments & questions

10:15-10:30 BREAK

Session 2  Chair: Albanese
10:40-10:55am Surgical treatments & their limitations in blepharospasm
Anderson
Comments & questions
11:05-11:20am Rating scales for blepharospasm: a review of limitations & new options
Peterson
Comments & questions
11:30-11:45am The anatomy of blepharospasm: neuroimaging and/or neuropathology
Jinnah
Comments & questions

12:10-1:20pm LUNCH

Session 3  Chair: Perlmutter
1:30-1:45pm Genetic findings of relevance to blepharospasm
Ozelius
Comments & questions
1:55-2:10pm Physiology of blepharospasm
Berardelli
Comments & questions
2:20-2:35pm Animal models for blepharospasm & photophobia
Evinger
Comments & questions

2:45-3:00 BREAK

Unanswered questions & research priorities  Chair: Hallett
3:10-3:40pm What are the research priorities in clinical research and treatment?
Panel discussion
Anderson, DeFazio, Evinger, Jankovic
3:50-4:20pm What are the research priorities in basic research
Panel discussion
Berardelli, Evinger, Ozelius, Scott
4:30 pm Closing comments
Hallett

5:00-6:00 BREAK

6:00pm DINNER
DINNER as part of Project 2 Investigator meeting (see separate agenda page)
DINNER as part of Project 3 Investigator meeting (see separate agenda page)
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8:00am  Welcoming Remarks  
Ami Rosen

8:10am  Project 3: Diagnostic & Rating Scales for Spasmodic Dysphonia 
Progress Report & Next Steps  
Christy Ludlow

8:25am  Project 2: Comprehensive Rating Scales for Cervical Dystonia 
Progress Report & Next Steps  
Cynthia Comella

8:40am  Career Development Program: Goals & Selection Criteria  
Mark Hallett

8:50am  Updates & Plans from Awardees  
Berman, Shukla, Kimberley, Karimi

9:50am  Patient Advocacy Group Update & Plans  
Kim Kuman

10:05am  BREAK

10:25am  NIH News  
Dystonia Clinical Trials Workshop & Neuro Next  
Wendy Galpern

10:55am  Pilot Project Program: Goals & Selection Criteria  
Buz Jinnah

11:05pm  Updates & Plans from Awardees  
2011/2012 Awardees

11:55am  LUNCH (Working Groups: Project 1, Project 2, Project 3, PAGs)

1:00pm  Project 1: Natural History & Biorepository 
Progress Report & Next Steps  
Joel Perlmutter

3:00pm  Dystonia Coalition: Where are we now & where are we going?  
Year 3 Progress Report  
Thanks to Our Sponsors  
Project X: What’s next?  
Buz Jinnah

3:30pm  General Meeting Adjourned

4:00pm  DC Steering & Executive Committees Meet to Review Progress

5:00pm  Committee Meeting Adjourned

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