

Chronic Respiratory Patients and Patient Advocacy Groups:

You are invited to attend the
American Association for Respiratory Care's 1st Annual



November 6, 2015, in Tampa, FL • 12:30 pm – 5:00 pm

A chronic respiratory patient advocacy meeting held in conjunction with the American Association for Respiratory Care's 61st International Respiratory Convention & Exhibition in Tampa, FL, at the Tampa Convention Center



Focused on Advancing the Quality of Care and Life for Chronic Respiratory Patients

Patients with chronic respiratory conditions, caregivers, and patient advocates know that it's essential for medical professionals and patients to communicate, share information, and join together to receive the best of patient care and improve their quality of life.



The AARC Respiratory Patient Advocacy Summit's purpose is to build the partnership between chronic respiratory disease advocates, physicians, and respiratory therapists—and to provide a forum for aligning their common goals and visions toward advancing the quality of care, equipment, and services in today's continually evolving health care environment.



This meeting will showcase lectures from leading physicians and respiratory therapists—offering clinical insights and possible strategies to tackle the health care challenges and reach future goals. Guests will also participate in moderated roundtable discussions.

Register Online by October 25 – Together we can provide real health care strategies and solutions. <http://tinyurl.com/patientsummit>

Who Should Attend the Summit?

- ✓ Patients who have chronic respiratory diseases
- ✓ Patient advocacy groups—large and small
- ✓ Caregivers, family, or friends of patients with chronic respiratory diseases
- ✓ Those interested in aligning goals with patients & patient advocacy groups

Lectures & Discussions:

- **Navigating the Healthcare Landscape:** A Patient's Perspective *Valerie Chang, JD*
- Patient/Respiratory Therapist Partnership: **Advocating for the Patient's Chronic Respiratory Needs** *Joe Lewarski BS, RRT, FAARC*
- Moderated roundtable: **The Role of Patient Advocacy Groups in Facilitating Better Outcomes:**
 - COPD Foundation
 - Allergy & Asthma Network
 - US COPD Coalition
 - AARC

Lunch and refreshments will be provided

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