



New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome

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Estate Planning for Special Needs Children

The 2009 Wednesday Webinar series kicks off on January 28th with a presentation on “Special Needs Trusts.” Attorney Lori Wolf will discuss the importance of having a will and the unique issues that must be considered by parents and guardians of a special needs child in putting together an estate plan. This presentation will also highlight the importance of coordinating assets with the estate plan, guardianship issues and considerations in finding the appropriate funding of a special needs trust. The Wednesday Webinar series continues on February 18, with a discussion on “Special Education and the Law” by Rebecca Spar, Esq. Webinars take place from 7:30-8:30 p.m. To register visit www.njcts.org.

2009 Healthcare Professional of the Year Award

We’re seeking nominations for the 2009 NJCTS Healthcare Professional of the Year Award. This honor goes to a professional who has made a significant difference in the life of a child with Tourette Syndrome. This includes doctors, nurses, psychologists and other clinicians. Please fill out the enclosed form and tell us why this practitioner stands out. Deadline for submission is April 3, 2009.

2009 Educator of the Year Award

It’s time to nominate teachers, guidance counselors and other education professionals for the 2009 NJCTS Educator of the Year Award. Does your child have a teacher who has gone above and beyond to learn about TS? Do you know an educator who has made it a point to combat TS stigma? Be sure to fill out the enclosed nomination form and explain how this special person has made an impact in the life of a student with TS. Deadline for submission is April 3, 2009.

2009 Children’s Scholarship

High school seniors with Tourette Syndrome are encouraged to apply for an NJCTS Scholarship. The annual awards are given to graduating college-or-trade-bound seniors who live and attend high school in New Jersey. Applications are available on our website at www.njcts.org. Applications must be received in the NJCTS office by April 3, 2009.



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TS Family Retreat Weekend at Camp Bernie

It's never too early to think spring and our annual family weekend at Camp Bernie is set for June 5-7. Nestled in the heart of Warren County, YMCA Camp Bernie provides a wonderful setting for family-building activities. The weekend will include food, games, canoeing, campfires, horseback riding, self-esteem and team building activities for kids and support and networking opportunities for parents. The talent show is an NJCTS tradition. You can see highlights of previous weekends at www.njcts.org.

Reserve your place now and return the enclosed form. We ask for a \$100 donation per TS family to help NJCTS defray the cost of this experience.

Hoop-A-Paluzza's TS Family Retreat at Appel Farm

Thanks to a generous grant from Hoop-A-Paluzza, Inc., NJCTS is proud to announce a second family retreat weekend. Mark your calendars now for Hoop-A-Paluzza's TS Family Retreat at Appel Farm and Music Center in Elmer. This retreat, scheduled for Columbus Day weekend (Oct. 9-12) will include fun, art, music and self-esteem building activities for kids as well as informative workshops for parents. More information will be posted to NJCTS.org in the coming weeks. Please register by July 9.

Contact Information

We are constantly updating our databases, so if you have moved or switched e-mail addresses, please let us know. Communicating via e-mail helps us disseminate timely information effectively and cost efficiently.

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NJCTS Rutgers TS Clinic- 732-445-6111 ext. 930



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January/February Calendar of Events- More information at NJCTS.org

- Jan. 19 Faculty In-service: Lester C. Noecker School, Roseland.
- Jan. 19 Faculty In-service: Millstone Twp. Elementary School, Millstone.
- Jan. 21 Faculty In-service: Knollwood Elementary School, Fair Haven.
- Jan. 26 Somerset/Hunterdon County Family Support Group (TSANJ)
Somerset Medical Center, Somerville Room: A&B
- Jan. 26 Workshop- Hunterdon County School Nurses Association, Flemington
- Jan. 26 Faculty In-service: Holmdel School District, Holmdel.
- Jan. 27 Faculty In-service: Highland High School, Blackwood.
- Jan. 28 Wednesday Webinar Series, 7:30-8:30 p.m. "Special Needs Trusts"
Presenter: Lori Wolf, Esq.
- Jan. 28 Faculty In-service, Liberty Elementary School, Great Meadows.
- Feb. 2 Burlington/Camden County Family Support Group (TSANJ) 7:30- 9 p.m.
West Jersey Hospital, Voorhees.
- Feb. 5 Atlantic/Cape May County Family Support Group (TSANJ)
Atlantic City Medical Center, Pomona- Room: New Café
- Feb. 18 Wednesday Webinar Series: "Special Education and the Law" 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Presenter: Rebecca Spar, Esq.
- Feb. 19 Cumberland County Family Support Group (TSANJ), 7-9 p.m.
South Jersey Regional Hospital's Fitness Connection, Vineland

Volunteers Needed- Call 908-575-7350 or e-mail info@njcts.org

NJCTS is looking for additional volunteers to help in the following areas:

- Camp Bernie Committee
- Appel Farm Committee
- Mailings
- Fundraising
- Helpline

