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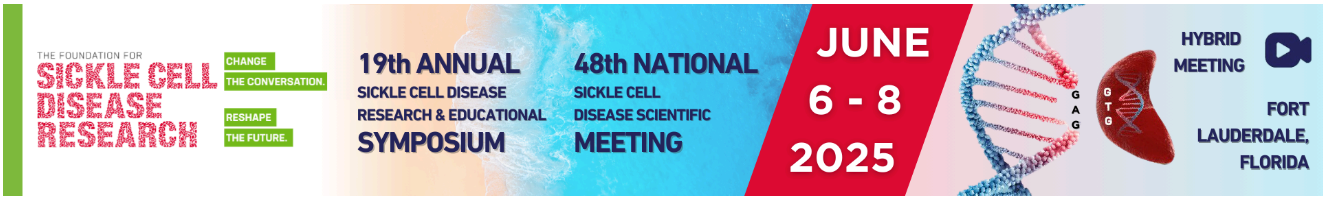

Call for Topics / Speakers - Deadline Update

⚠ The deadline for submissions is Friday December 13th, 2024 (11:59pm EST) ⚠

The Scientific Program Planning Committee welcomes the submission of Topics and Speaker Names for the FSCDR 19th Annual Sickle Cell Disease Research and Educational Symposium and 48th National Sickle Cell Disease Scientific Meeting.

Join us in shaping a transformative experience this June 6 – 8, 2025, in sunny Ft. Lauderdale, FL. We encourage you to help the Scientific Program Planning Committee in shaping the Invited Symposium Program. Your insights are key to inspiring change and advancing care for those affected by sickle cell disease.

Don't miss your chance to have an impact - submit your ideas by December 13, 2024 (11:59pm ET).

Submit Here

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Tannikqua’s Call for Personalized Sickle Cell Care

This December on Warriors Within, FSCDR TV proudly features Tannikqua, a courageous Sickle Cell Warrior who is using her voice to advocate for a critical shift in the way healthcare providers approach sickle cell care.

Tannikqua shares a deeply personal and eye-opening perspective on the shortcomings of the current healthcare system. She recounts how sickle cell patients are often grouped together under a single, generalized care plan that fails to recognize the unique challenges and needs of each individual.

"In hospitals, we’re often treated as though we’re all the same. They say, 'This is the care plan for sickle cell patients,' and expect it to work for everyone. But it doesn’t," Tannikqua explains. "We’re human—we’re not in a box. What works for one person may not work for another."

has commonalities, every warrior's journey is unique—requiring care that is tailored, thoughtful, and personalized.

This story is a call to action for healthcare providers, policymakers, and advocates to break free from one-size-fits-all approaches and push for individualized treatment plans. Tannikqua's experience highlights the importance of seeing patients as individuals with specific needs, preferences, and circumstances.

As she courageously speaks out on Warriors Within, Tannikqua not only advocates for better care for sickle cell warriors but also inspires others in the community to demand dignity and respect in their healthcare journeys. Her story reminds us all of the need for compassion, awareness, and continued progress in treating sickle cell disease.

📺 Don't miss this impactful episode of Warriors Within on FSCDR TV. Tune in to hear Tannikqua's story and join the movement for better, more personalized care for all sickle cell warriors.

Listen to Tannikqua's Story

We are now accepting abstract submissions associated with the 19th Annual Sickle Cell Disease Research and Educational Symposium and the 48th National Sickle Cell Disease Scientific Meeting.

Submissions are due February 4, 2025 (11:59pm ET).

Accepted Symposium submissions will be published as a supplement to the Journal of Sickle Cell Disease, published by Oxford University Press. Please note, you must submit symposium submissions to the Abstract Scorecard link in the green button below. This submission type cannot be submitted directly to the OUP website.

Notifications for Symposium abstracts go out February 28, 2025.

Submit a Symposium Abstract

Read June 2024's Symposium Supplement: https://academic.oup.com/jscd/issue/1/Supplement_

The Foundation for Sickle Cell Disease Research is working to create a pain-free future for 100,000 Americans who are affected by sickle cell disease.

Join us as we advocate for patients like Tannikqua, who experience pain that is too often dismissed.

The FSCDR needs YOUR help to advance innovative research, treatments, and education for this historically underfunded disease. Invest in our mission on behalf of a loved one or to give this overlooked community the attention they deserve.

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