African Americans in Clinical Trials

AACT 1 Brunch & Lecture

Arnetti Taylor, M.Ed

Arnetti Taylor is the Associate Director for the Clinical Studies Initiative of the Alzheimer’s Association. She currently manages the Association’s TrialMatch—a first-of-its-kind online and telephone-based service that matches people with Alzheimer’s to caregivers, physicians, and volunteers with Alzheimer’s clinical studies that are recruiting participants.

Ms. Taylor is also responsible for outreach activities aimed at raising awareness and educating physicians, Alzheimer-affected families and the general public about clinical studies and the urgent need for additional volunteers.

Edna Andrews Rose, PhD., MSW, RN-BC

Edna Rose is a minority outreach coordinatorclinical for the University of Michigan Alzheimer’s Disease Center (MADC). She has helped increase African American participation in Alzheimer’s research from 1% to over 20% participation in less than one year.

Dr. Rose received her Ph.D. from Clark Atlanta University, and holds certification by the American Nurses Association as a psychiatric mental health nurse. Her most recent unpublished work, “The Disproportionately Higher Incidence of Alzheimer’s Disease in the African American Population,” has catapulted her career as a speaker/educator on the benefits of African American participation in research and the multiple variables associated with onset of Alzheimer.

National Physician & Family Referral (NPFR) Project
Presents the Detroit Premier of
A Brunch & Lecture:

ALZHEIMER’S Disease: A LOOK AT
African Americans in Clinical Trials Lecture Series

11:30 – 11:35 Welcome
Dr. and Mrs. Retland

Program Overview
Ed Sanders, Co-Founder NPFR

Lunch Served
Guitar Music Selections
Dr. Ernest Retland

11:35 – 11:45 A CALL TO ACTION
Pat Sanders, Co-Founder NPFR
African Americans in Clinical Trials

Speakers Introduced
Mrs. De Retland

11:45 – 12:05 Arnetti Taylor
The Alzheimer’s Association

12:05 – 12:25 Dr. Edna Andrews Rose
University of Michigan
Alzheimer’s Disease Center

12:25 – 12:45 Clinical Trials
Q&A audience

12:45 – 1:00 Recognitions
Collection of Surveys

1:00 – 1:20 Gifts and prizes drawing for audience
(Tickets exchanged for completed surveys)

1:30 Adjourn

African Americans are under-represented in clinical trials throughout America... trials with life-saving advantages to our health. And though our population exceeds 12%, sometimes, less than 3% of the drugs tested have our genetics included. The AACT 1 Lectures focus upon diseases critical to African Americans, and brings to light new information about the importance of pro-active education, and our participation in new drug discoveries. Visit www.50hoops.org, www.npfr.org or call (800) 677-8441.

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