DAY ONE: TUESDAY, MARCH 20

8:00 - 9:00am Registration & Full Breakfast

9:00 - 9:45am Welcome & Introductions

9:45 - 10:45am Panel One: The State of Childhood Lupus Research & Drug Development
The lack of effective treatments for lupus is one of the biggest issues facing the lupus community. In this session, world-renowned researchers discuss the barriers and opportunities in lupus drug development, especially as it relates to childhood lupus.

- Dr. Sue Manzi – Medical Director, Lupus Foundation of America (moderator)
- Tiffany Alsbury – Lupus Advocate
- Raj Punwaney, MD, MBA – Executive Director, Clinical Development GlaxoSmithKline
- Dr. Anne Stevens, MD, PhD – Seattle Children's Hospital
- Maria Silk, Pharm.D. – Principal Clinical Research Scientist, Autoimmune Medical Eli Lilly and Company

10:45 - 11:00am Break

11:00 - 12:00pm Panel Two: Advocacy 365 – How to Make a Difference Throughout the Year
Coming to Washington, DC is not the only way to advocate for the lupus community. Find out what you can do at home to advocate for lupus priorities.

- Steve Gibson – President, Lupus Foundation of America (moderator)
- Allie Gutshall McWilliams – Lupus Advocate
- Monique Gore-Massy – Lupus Advocate
- Annie Kennedy – Senior Vice President, Legislation & Public Policy, Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy
- Jeff Allen, PhD – President & CEO, Friends of Cancer Research

12:00 - 1:30pm Lunch and Storytelling Workshop
This interactive workshop will give you the tips and tools you need to effectively tell your story.

- Carla Pearson, MBA – Vice President of US Immunology Marketing, GlaxoSmithKline (introduction)
- Monica Richey – Rheumatology Nurses Society (facilitator)

1:30 - 3:00pm Prep for the Hill & Role Play
Learn about the issues we’ll be advocating for on Capitol Hill, why they’re so important, and how to structure your meetings to get the most out of them.

- Kathleen Arntsen – President & CEO, Lupus and Allied Diseases Association, Inc. (introduction)
- Lupus Foundation of America Advocacy & Government Relations Department

3:00 - 3:15pm Closing

3:15 - 5:00pm Family Social (open to all attendees)

6:00 - 7:30pm Lupus Heroes Reception
An evening reception honoring lupus heroes whose advocacy has made a difference in the fight against lupus (separate ticketed event).

DAY TWO: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21

7:00 - 8:30am Full Breakfast

8:30 - 4:00pm Capitol Hill Visits
Lupus advocates converge on Capitol Hill to meet with their Members of Congress and urge them to take action to support lupus priorities.

12:00 - 1:30pm Lupus Briefing for Members of Congress
This briefing will educate Members of Congress and their staff on what lupus is, how it affects their constituents, and what they can do to help solve the cruel mystery.
All advocates are encouraged to attend.

3:00 - 6:00pm Hospitality Room at Marriott Metro Center
Join fellow advocates after your Hill meetings to relax, complete meeting reports, and share your experience on Capitol Hill with others.

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