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We wish you joy, peace, health, and miles of smiles this month, like Joanne Hatchett & Linda Waters, who enjoyed a moment together at the 2018 conference. [Look below](#) for important conference information.

Give the Gift of a Rusty Old Truck for the Holidays

Did you know that you can donate your old car, truck, camper, tractor, biplane, yacht, or other vehicle you're not using to PSC Partners? The process is easy. [Click here](#) to learn more about it.



There are other ways to give the gift of health this season:

- Honor that special person in your life with a gift in their name to PSC Partners.
- Give a legacy gift in honor of a passed loved one.
- Sign up for a recurring, monthly contribution to honor somebody you love.
- When you're doing online shopping on Amazon, shop on [AmazonSmile](#). Your purchases will translate to funds for PSC Partners.
- Start a Facebook fundraiser and encourage end-of-year giving. It's easy. Click the donation button on [our page](#) to find out more.
- Purchase some PSC Partners swag from our [online store](#). (More [information](#) below.)

[Check out](#) the donation page to see more ways to give, and don't forget to ask your workplace HR rep. about matching programs, which may make your contribution go twice as far.

Thank you. Together, we will find a cure!

Mayo Clinic Rochester, Here We Come! Time to Make Hotel Reservations for PSC Partners Conference June 21-23, 2019



The 2019 PSC Partners Annual Conference, held in the conjunction with the Mayo Clinic in

Rochester, MN, is just seven short months away. While registration is not yet live, it is time to make hotel reservations. We are pleased to offer a discounted group rate for conference attendees staying at the Kahler Grand Hotel, located at 20 2nd Ave. SW, Rochester, MN 55902. [Click here](#) to take advantage of our special group rate. Conference meetings and meals will take place at the Mayo Civic Center, which is very close to the hotel.

[Community](#) and [Corporate](#) conference sponsorships also are

available now.

MAYO CLINIC



Connect to Timely PSC Information with MAYO CLINIC CONNECT

Mayo Clinic Connect recently launched an online blog page dedicated to primary sclerosing cholangitis. From doctor and scientist profiles to updates on research and patient viewpoints, the site offers up-to-date news about advances in PSC research, clinical trials, and available resources.

[Check it out.](#)

PSC BLOG **Caregiving Do's & Don'ts**

From remembering to laugh to setting up a CaringBridge site, Tyler Tessier explores the Do's and Don'ts for PSC caregivers in the most recent PSC blog.



[Check it out.](#)



Thanks for Making PSC Partners Seeking a Cure A TOP-RATED NONPROFIT

Big shout out to everyone who sang the praises of PSC Partners Seeking a Cure and helped us achieve the top designation on the

Great Nonprofits' site. We value your time and effort, and we promise not to take this honor lightly. We truly love our community, and we couldn't have reached this top level without you. [Check it out.](#)

Thanks, also, to everyone who participated in last week's *#GivingTuesday* and this week's *Colorado Gives Day*. These philanthropy days are an amazing tradition, and we appreciate your support!

With Your Help New ICD-10-CM Code & Clinical Trials Move Us Closer to a Cure

Clinical trials offer an opportunity for patients to participate in academic and industry research. The information garnered in these trials is vital for the development of new treatments and the eventual discovery of a cure for primary sclerosing cholangitis.

You can help by:

- Completing your profile in the [patient registry](#), and
- Regularly visiting [ClinicalTrials.gov](#) for current information about clinical trials for which you or a loved one may qualify.



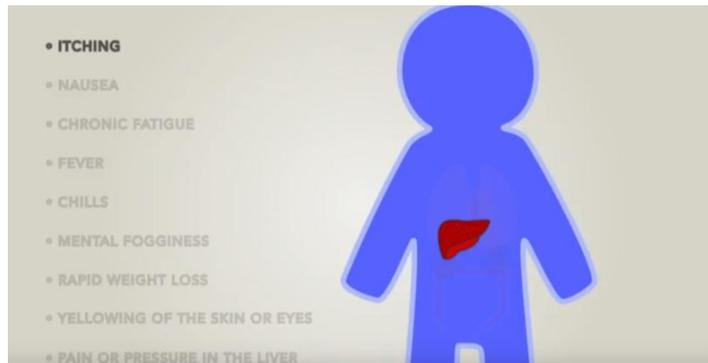
Additionally, use of the new ICD-10-CM code enables medical professionals and scientists to track primary sclerosing cholangitis statistics, so they can be more successful when researching treatments and cures. Make sure your hepatologist and other doctors know about the new code. ***We have a card with more information for you to take to your next appointment. If you've been to a conference, a postcard will be sent to you in January. If you haven't been to a conference, email us at contactus@pscpartners.org, and we'll happily send a card to you.***

PSC Partners Swag Now Available Online

Want to surprise that special someone with a super cozy PSC Partners sweatshirt? Wish you had seven PSC Partners t-shirts, so you can wear one every day of the week? You're in luck. Our swag is now just a click away. Visit our new [online shop](#), and let people know you support PSC Partners Seeking a Cure!



Use Our New Video to Educate about PSC



Our new [video](#), which premiered on PSC Awareness Day last month, is a great tool to educate your friends, family, caregivers, and colleagues about primary sclerosing

cholangitis. The video takes this often misunderstood disease, and makes it understandable. Share it with your medical providers, as well. They may want to show it to newly diagnosed patients or others interested in PSC.

Upcoming Webinar: Navigating Health Insurance *Perfect for Patients and Caregivers*

Learn how to make your insurance work for you at the National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) webinar, Thursday, December 20, 2 p.m. EST. Various topics will be covered, including how insurance works, tips on reversing a denial, and more. [Register here](#).

The mission of PSC Partners Seeking a Cure is to provide education and support to PSC patients, families and caregivers and raise funds to research causes, treatments and cures for primary sclerosing cholangitis.

