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PSC Partners Presents Annual AASLD Award to Dr. Angela Cheung

Each year, AASLD selects the recipient for the PSC Partners Award, which is given to the investigator presenting the most promising PSC research at The Liver Meeting.



The 2018 PSC Partners Seeking a Cure Award was presented to Dr. Angela Cheung for her project entitled *High-Resolution Metabolomics and Exposomics in Primary Sclerosing Cholangitis and Primary Biliary Cholangitis Uncovers Novel, Disease-Specific Associations in Bile Acid and Amino Acid Metabolism and Environmental Toxicant Exposures*. An updated project abstract will be made available soon. To view past AASLD awards given by PSC Partners, [click here](#).

Meetings, Conferences, and Booths

Oh My!

In October and November, PSC Partners' staff and volunteers attended several informative conferences across the country. These meetings not only help us spread the word about the unmet needs of PSC patients; they also provide invaluable opportunities to form new collaborations that will help us achieve our mission.



In October, the [Global Genes Rare Patient Advocacy Summit](#) in Irvine, CA and the [NORD Rare Diseases & Orphan Products Breakthrough Summit](#) in Washington, D.C. presented fantastic education and advocacy initiatives for rare disease patient organizations. More recently, PSC Partners hosted a booth at the 2018 [AASLD Liver Meeting](#) in San Francisco, CA, which is attended by almost 10,000 hepatologists from all over the world. PSC Partners connected with old friends and past grant recipients, and made new connections with researchers and clinicians as well. We were heartened to see a surge in interest in studying PSC among researchers and industry partners. Our conversations with hepatologists also indicated that this is a promising time for PSC research.



Mark Your Calendars! Giving Tuesday is November 27

Giving Tuesday started in 2012, and is now recognized as an international day of giving. [Click here](#) to donate online, or feel free to send contributions to PSC Partners Seeking a Cure at 6900 E. Belleview Ave. Suite 202, Greenwood Village, CO 80111 and let us know that you are donating in honor of Giving Tuesday.

Thank you for your support!

Our Team is Expanding!

PSC Partners is thrilled to announce that our office staff has grown! We are so excited to welcome Katherine Schultz as our Business Manager, and Jen Chavez as our Communications Director. Jen and Katherine both bring incredible experience in business operations, communications, and management, and we couldn't be happier to have them on board. [Click here](#) to read the bios of all office staff members. Welcome, Jen and Katherine!



Communications Director
Jen Chavez



Business Manager
Katherine Schultz



Living With PSC Podcast Episode 7 Dr. Julie Heimbach: Liver Transplantation & PSC

In the seventh episode of Living with PSC, Niall McKay discusses liver transplantation and PSC with Dr.

Julie Heimbach, transplant surgeon and surgical director of liver transplantation at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. [Click here](#) to listen.

November is National Family Caregivers Month

November 2018 is National Family Caregivers (NFC) Month! The first NFC Month Presidential Proclamation was issued by President Clinton in 1997, and has continued each year. NFC Month is intended to raise awareness of family caregiver issues and to

increase support for, and to honor, family caregivers. The theme for 2018 is "Supercharge Your Caregiving!"



For further information, including the 2018 Presidential Proclamation and "Ten Tips for Caregivers," please [click here](#).

2019 Conference Sponsorships Available

We rely on the generosity of sponsors to make our [annual conferences](#) a reality. Whether you've sponsored the conference for years, or you have just joined our community, we invite you to consider becoming a sponsor for our 15th annual conference for patients and caregivers June 21-23 at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN!

Every sponsorship helps - no matter how big or small. PSC Partners offers different levels of sponsorship for [community members](#) and for interested [corporate sponsors](#). We are so grateful for the support of sponsors who help ensure that the annual conferences are as affordable as possible for all patient and caregiver attendees. Thank you!



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