



WSS Foundation
Wiedemann-Steiner Syndrome Foundation

*2017 Family Conference
Schedule of Events*

Saturday, October 21st

Meet and Greet Morning Coffee and Pastries

When: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Where: Windsor Hills Resort 2600 N Old Lake Wilson Rd, Kissimmee, FL 34747

Fee: Complimentary

Family Activity

When: 11:00 AM to 2:00ish PM

Where: Orlando Science Center 777 E. Princeton St, Orlando, Florida 32803

Fee: \$17/Person 12 years old and Up, \$14/Person 3 to 11 years old, and Free for 2 years old and under

Dinner

When: 5:00-7:00

Where: Bahama Breeze 8160 Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy, Kissimmee, Florida 34747

Fee: \$30/Adult and \$10/Child

Adult meal includes house salad, choice of entrée and soft drink/tea/coffee

Child meal includes choice of entrée and soft drink

Sunday, October 22nd

Conference Day

When: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (lunch at Noon for those that have anyone joining just for lunch)

Where: Mystic Dunes Resort 7600 Mystic Dunes Lane, Celebration, Florida 34747

Parking: Mystic Dunes Resort offers plenty of parking at no charge.

Fee: \$105/Family

Attendance, beverages and lunch for 2 adults and 1 child in your family (associated with your family) is included in your conference registration fee.

*See registration form for conference day add-on costs



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Preferred Vendors*

Lodging

Windsor Hills

2600 N Old Lake Wilson Rd, Kissimmee, FL 34747

Book through www.vrbo.com or www.homeaway.com

*this is across the street from where the conference will be held

Mystic Dunes

7600 Mystic Dunes Lane, Celebration, Florida 34747

Book through www.mystic-dunes-resort.com or other travel website

*this is where the conference is being held

Rental Cars

Hertz (see attached pricing flyer)

Caregivers

Nanny Poppinz

www.nannypoppinz.com

1-877-262-6694

Kids Night Out

www.kidsniteout.com

1-800-696-8105



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Frequently Asked Questions*

What will I miss if I don't attend the family conference weekend?: The weekend will be an incredible opportunity for you to spend time with families that get it. Parents, kids, and siblings alike will form bonds that will last a lifetime. Your family will have access to the world's leading researchers of Wiedemann-Steiner Syndrome, Dr. Wendy Jones and Dr. Hans Bjornsson. They will present the latest research available and do their best to answer your most burning questions. We will engage in conversations, we will laugh, we will cry, we will learn, we will better understand, and we won't want the weekend to end.

Do I have to participate in all the events over the course of the weekend?: You are in no way obligated to attend all of the events. Please pick and choose what works best for your family.

May my child attend the conference day?: The short answer is yes. The long answer is that the conference day will be a long day of presentations and small group discussions which may be hard for your child to tolerate and sit through. Some families are electing to bring extended family or a caregiver to help share supervision roles during the conference. Some families will send one parent/guardian to the conference while the other parent/guardian supervises their child. Other families may elect to hire a caretaker from Nanny Poppinz, Kids Nite Out, or another hired agency. If your loved ones not attending the full extent of the conference day, kids and adults, would like to come to the conference room for lunch, he/she/they are welcome to do so.

May I invite my child's doctor(s) to the conference day?: Yes, please do. If he/she can attend and would like to present or lead a discussion group, please let Libby Woolford know. Libby.Woolford@gmail.com

Who will be presenting on the conference day?: We are working on the agenda and will have it available in the next few weeks. Speakers include Dr. Wendy Jones, Dr. Hans Bjornsson, parents of children with WSS, adults with WSS, and other medical professionals.

If I need to cancel, are my monies refundable?: We have to provide final numbers to the conference space and make our final non-refundable deposit two weeks in advance. Therefore, no refunds will be offered for the conference fee portion unless a cancellation occurs on or before **October 7th, 2017**. Science Center and Saturday night dinner costs will be refunded if canceled prior to **October 14th, 2017**. A processing fee of \$20 will be retained with any refund.

Is there financial aid available?: Unfortunately, no financial aid will be available for families this year. We have arranged group rates for rental cars, excursions, meals, etc. Please also monitor the event page of the Wiedemann-Steiner Syndrome parent group on facebook for tips and tricks for making the trip more financially feasible and ideas for fundraisers to help get your family to Orlando.

If a member of my party needs special assistance or if I have questions, whom do I contact?: Libby Woolford
Libby.Woolford@gmail.com or 916-502-2120