

Hypermobility Symposium – June 2014

Hypermobility Syndrome: the spectrum of the condition

Who should attend?

This symposium is intended for health professionals including Consultants, GP's, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, podiatrists, dieticians and psychologists who wish to advance their knowledge and understanding of hypermobility and the Joint Hypermobility Syndrome/Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome – Hypermobility Type.

Aims

The symposium brings together a range of experienced practitioners and researchers to present recent developments in the understanding of the complexity of the condition and advances in the management of joint hypermobility and the Joint Hypermobility Syndrome/Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome – Hypermobility Type. The symposium will cover the spectrum of those affected, from children to adults, athletes to the complex and vulnerable. Dysautonomia and women's health issues will feature in the programme.

Keynote speaker

Professor Christopher Mathias MBBS DPhil DSc FRCP FMedSci

Professor Christopher Mathias has been Professor of Neurovascular Medicine in the University of London since 1991, an appointment held jointly between Imperial College London and the Institute of Neurology, University College London. He has been Director of the Autonomic Units at the National Hospital for Neurology, Queen Square and St Mary's Hospital, London which are National Referral Centres for autonomic disorders. He has numerous publications on the autonomic nervous system and is Senior Editor of the recently published 5th Edition of the Textbook on Autonomic Failure. He is Patron of several charities and recently founded the Autonomic Charitable Trust, with Sir Roger Bannister and Mr Blissett. Recent research interests focus on dysautonomia and hypermobility.

Invited speakers include:

- **Cathy Barrett M Phty BSc (Hons) MCSP MACP MPAA** *Shoulder Clinical Specialist, Hospital of St John and St Elizabeth, London*
- **Professor Rodney Grahame CBE MD FRCP FACP** *Honorary Professor at UCL in the Division of Medicine, Affiliate Professor, University of Washington, USA, Consultant Rheumatologist Hypermobility Unit, Hospital of St John & St Elizabeth, London.*
- **Dr Alan Hakim MA FRCP** *Consultant in Rheumatology and Acute Medicine, and Hon Senior Lecturer, Whipps Cross Hospital, Barts Health NHS Trust, and Queen Mary, University of London. Trustee and Chief Medical Advisor to the Hypermobility Syndromes Association (HMSA), Trustee to the Arthritis Musculoskeletal Alliance (ARMA), Medical Advisor to EDS Support UK*
- **Dr Hanna Kaz Kaz BA MSc MB** *Consultant Rheumatologist, University College London Hospital, Hypermobility Unit, Hospital of St John & St Elizabeth, London, Chief Medical Officer for EDS Support UK*
- **Rosemary Keer MSc, MCSP, MACP** *Specialist Physiotherapist and Researcher, Hypermobility Unit, Hospital of St John and St Elizabeth, Medical advisor to the HMSA*
- **Dr Nelly Ninis MD MRCP MRCPCH MSc MBBS** *Consultant Paediatrician St Mary's NHS Hospital, Paddington, London and Hypermobility Unit, Hospital of St John and St Elizabeth, London*
- **Sophie Roberts MSc Podiatry, BSc (Hons) Podiatry, SRCh** *Biomechanics Specialist Podiatrist, The Gait Lab, London*
- **Dr Jane Simmonds PD MA B AppSc MCSP MACP FHEA** *Principal Lecturer and Researcher University of Hertfordshire. Clinical Specialist, Hypermobility Unit, Hospital of St John and St Elizabeth, London, Medical advisor to the HMSA and EDS Support UK*

Research and practice poster display

Call for abstracts opens on 2nd December 2013 and closes on 31st March 2014

Date and location

Saturday 14 June 2014, 09.00 – 17.00 (registration begins at 8.30am)

The Hypermobility Symposium will take place at the University of Hertfordshire in Hatfield.

Cost: £150.00 including refreshments, lunch and delegate pack

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