



## AGENDA

- 9:30 – 10:00 AM**     **Registration/Continental Breakfast**
- 10:00 – 10:15 AM**     **Welcome & Introductory Remarks**  
Jeanne M. Zanca, PhD, MPT  
*Senior Research Scientist, Spinal Cord Injury Research, Kessler Foundation*  
Trevor Dyson-Hudson, MD  
*Co-Director, NNJSCIS, Director, Spinal Cord Injury Research, Kessler Foundation  
& Associate Professor, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation,  
Rutgers New Jersey Medical School*  
Scott Chesney  
*President, Scott Chesney, LLC*
- 10:15 – 10:45 AM**     **Session 1 – Finding and Funding the Latest Wheelchair Technology**  
Mary Shea, OTR/L, ATP  
*Clinic Manager, Wheelchair Services, Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation*  
*Learn about new wheelchair and seating technologies that can enhance your  
mobility as well as creative ways of finding funding for new technology.*
- 10:45 – 11:15 AM**     **Session 2 – Robotic Exoskeletons**  
Gail F. Forrest, PhD  
*Associate Director, Human Performance and Engineering Research, Kessler  
Foundation & Associate Professor, Department of Physical Medicine and  
Rehabilitation, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School*  
*Learn about the FDA approval status of devices to help people with SCI return to  
walking activities, current research about their potential benefits, and programs  
at Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation and Kessler Foundation that provide access  
to these technologies.*
- 11:15 – 11:30 AM**     **Break (15 minutes)**

- 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM**     **Session 3 (Keynote) - The State of Spinal Cord Injury: Latest News on Clinical Trials of Interventions to Promote Recovery**  
 Wise Young, MD, PhD  
*Founding Director of the W. M. Keck Center for Collaborative Neuroscience, Richard H. Shindell Chair in Neuroscience, Distinguished Professor in the Department of Cell Biology & Neuroscience at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey*  
 Steven Kirshblum, MD  
*Medical Director and Director of Spinal Cord Injury Services, Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation & Professor, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Rutgers New Jersey Medical School*  
*Hear the latest updates on clinical trials of treatments designed to promote recovery of function after spinal cord injury.*
- 12:45 – 2:00 PM**     **Lunch, Resource Exposition, and Robotics Demonstrations**  
*Visit the resource tables to connect with services and organizations that can help you meet your goals. See robotic exoskeletons in action and ask questions about how they work. Network with others with SCI and their loved ones.*
- 2:00 – 2:30 PM**     **Session 4 – Tips and Tricks for Successful Air Travel**  
 Mary Shea, OTR/L, ATP  
 Trevor Dyson-Hudson, MD  
*Get practical advice to help you (and your assistive technology) travel safely and smoothly by air.*
- 2:30 – 3:00 PM**     **Session 5 – Options for Travelers with Special Needs**  
 Linda C. Cutrupi, CMP, ARC, IATA, IATAN, CLIA  
*Owner, Mainly Special Needs Travel, LLC, Author of "A Handbook For Special Needs Travelers," Special Needs Travel Specialist, Certified Accessible Travel Advocate, & Instructor, Bergen Community College*  
*Learn about the many ways you can explore the world and get advice to help you prepare for a successful trip.*
- 3:00 – 3:15 PM**     **Break (15 minutes)**
- 3:15 – 4:15 PM**     **Session 6 – Keeping "On the Move": Adventures in Real Life**  
 Moderator: Trevor Dyson-Hudson, MD  
 Panel Members: Scott Chesney, Charles Fleisher, Ronald Moore, Maggie Redden, Paul Ward  
*Hear the stories and real-world advice of people with SCI or other physical disabilities who are active in their communities.*
- 4:15 – 4:30 PM**     **Closing - Taking Action**  
 Scott Chesney  
*President, Scott Chesney, LLC*