# WUN NEWSLETTER

**MAY 2023** 



# Message from Executive Director, Monica Gow

### Greetings!

I am pleased to announce that a new treatment for Narcolepsy was approved by the FDA this past month. A once nightly sodium oxybate therapy, LUMRYZ<sup>TM</sup>, will soon be available to people with Narcolepsy. We are working on bringing access related specifics on this new treatment to the Narcolepsy community.

If you haven't yet, be sure to check out WUN's Online Support Groups. We are continually assessing feedback and making necessary improvements to keep them relevant and well run. A comorbidity group will be added to the line up of eight groups that meet weekly. We have also changed our model to have co-facilitators. <a href="Pre-registration is required.">Pre-registration is required.</a>

Next month's Brown Bag Webinar is one you won't want to miss! Dr. Thomas Scammell, neurologist and professor, will be reporting on the differences between Narcolepsy Type 1, Type 2 and Idiopathic Hypersomnia - June 15th at 2:00pm - <u>Pre-registration</u> required.

Our free membership and volunteer program is gaining momentum. These programs are opportunities for you to stay informed and connected with WUN. We can definitely use your help so be sure to check out our volunteer opportunities. These program can be easily found on our <u>website</u>.

Lastly, we hope to see all of our sleep friends at SLEEP 2023 taking place in Indianapolis on June 3-7th. Be sure to stop by booth #104 at the conference. Take care and reach out to WUN with any questions or comments.

Take our <u>súrvey</u> to help us create a welcome packet for those newly diagnosed with Narcolepsy





# May is Mental Health Awareness Month

Find community through WUN's online free support groups!



### **ONLINE SUPPORT GROUPS**

| GROUP  | all times in ET           | DAY    |
|--|---------------------------|--------|
| • Parents of PWN (e                                  | very other month) 8pm     | Tues.  |
| College and Care                                     | ers with Narcolepsy 7pm   | Tues.  |
| • Pregnancy & Pare                                   | nting with Narcolepsy 8pm | Tues.  |
| • Living with Narcol                                 | epsy 7pm                  | Wed.   |
| • Living with Narcol                                 | epsy (West Coast) 10pm    | Wed.   |
| • Living with Narcol                                 | epsy (Canada) 6:30pm      | Thurs. |
| • Living with Narcol                                 | epsy (LGBTQIA+) 4pm       | Fri.   |
| Living with Narcole                                  | epsy 1:30pm               | Sat.   |
| • Living with Narcolepsy (Comorbidities) COMING SOON |                           |        |

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Register for a Support Group today by scanning the QR Code, or go to www.WakeUpNarcolepsy.org

or https://heypeers.com/organi zations/2



#### **NEW BLOG POST**

# **WUN Blog Posts**

MOTHER'S DAY BLOG POST



Navigating College & Careers With Narcolepsy

Tana Bao MSN, NP, RN

wakeupnarcolepsy.org

Check out our <u>website</u> for a new blog post every month about a topic related to living with Narcolepsy!



Reflections from a Mother and

**Daughter Duo** 

Tana Bao MSN, NP, RN



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### **Newsletter Name Contest**

In the previous edition, we announced that we were holding a contest for a name for our newsletter. We originally planned to announce the winning name in our May edition, but have found that we got so many great submissions, we need more time to make a final decision!

We have narrowed it down to a few finalists, and will be announcing the winner in our newsletter's June edition.

We thank you for your patience!



# **Upcoming Conferences**



Join WUN at APSS
SLEEP 2023 in
Indianapolis, Indiana!

Our booth is #104 if you'd like to stop by!

WUN's 2023 National Conference is September 9th in Rochester, Minnesota!

See the QR code or the click here for more details on registration!





# Program Reminders

### **JUNE 3 - 7**

WUN Attending APSS SLEEP

Conference

### **JUNE 15**

Brown Bag Webinar: Understanding the Differences between Narcolepsy Type 1,
Type 2, and Idiopathic Hypersomnia

### **JUNE 30 - JULY 3**

WUN attending National Association of School Nurses Conference

### **ONGOING**

Weekly support groups for people with

Narcolepsy and Idiopathic

Hypersomnia

visit wakeupnarcolepsy.org/events

## Clinical Trials



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# INTERVIEW STUDY OF FATIGUE IN NARCOLEPSY:

ENROLLING ADULTS WITH NARCOLEPSY WHO
EXPERIENCE FATIGUE

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PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF
NARCOLEPSY AND IDIOPATHIC
HYPERSOMNIA: A MULTIMODAL
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