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## Stay Up-to-Date This Summer: ASH FSS Registration, Webinars, and More

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### *Available Now - Registration is now open for the Friday Satellite Symposium Preceding the 57th ASH Annual Meeting*

***An In-Depth Look at Emerging Science and Technology to Improve the Lives of Women with Blood Disorders.*** This symposium will highlight the potential impact of emerging technologies and recent therapeutic advances on the diagnosis and treatment of women with blood disorders. Speaking from comprehensive, multidisciplinary perspectives, experts will update on the application of technological advances in pre-implantation and prenatal diagnosis of blood disorders; provide insight into the research pipeline for novel diagnostics and the expanding role of telemedicine in this population; and discuss the impact of novel therapeutics for inherited blood disorders on adolescent female and maternal/fetal health. **Learn more about this event and Register [HERE](#).**

### *View our Most Recent Webinar*

#### *Reproductive Issues for Women with Sickle Cell Disease*

In this Webinar, Dr. Kim Smith-Whitley provides evidence-based, practical information on the acute and chronic complications of sickle cell disease (SCD) for women and girls. She also reviews the new NHLBI guideline for SCD, and informs medical providers how to integrate and apply the updated treatment guideline into their daily practice to improve the reproductive outcomes and quality of life for women and girls with SCD. It originally aired on June 16, 2015.



This activity has been planned and implemented by Creighton University Health Sciences Continuing Education and the Foundation for Women & Girls with Blood Disorders (FWGBD) for the advancement of patient care.

**To view this Webinar and/or learn more about receiving CME or Nursing Credits for**

## Read These Articles

*(1) A cross-sectional study of bleeding phenotype in hemophilia A carriers, by Dr. Robert F. Sidonio, et al*

This cross-sectional study compared hemophilia A carriers to women in the general population regarding their bleeding symptoms. This study was published in the *BJH* in 2015. **Read this article [HERE](#).**



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*(2) Population Screening for von Willebrand Disease in Adolescents with Heavy Menstrual Bleeding, by Dr. Sarah H. O'Brien, et al*

Data from Ohio Medicaid was used to determine the frequency and precision of laboratory screening for von Willebrand disease and other bleeding disorders in adolescents with heavy menses. This article was published in the *Journal of Pediatrics* in 2015. **Read more about this article [HERE](#).**

## Spotlight on the WGBD LAN

*FWGBD's First Learning Action Network!*



On May 18-19, 2015, 19 members of the WGBD LAN convened at Texas Children's Hospital to attend the first WGBD LAN Education and Clinic of Excellence Workshop. The objectives of this meeting were to:

- Deliver education of excellence on bleeding disorders and their impact on women and girls
- Increase knowledge and understanding of the key elements of a Clinic of Excellence by the in vivo experience of the structure, best practices, and workings of a multidisciplinary team of the unique and effective Clinic
- Utilize interactive group activities to refine key elements of a successful Young Women's/Women's Bleeding Disorder Clinic of Excellence
- Develop a dissemination plan for the Clinic of Excellence Model to share with other medical centers wishing to establish or enhance a Young Women's/Women's Bleeding Disorder Clinic, with the goal of optimizing patient outcomes

To learn more about this meeting and view several of the presentations from this meeting, please click [HERE](#).

*Save the Date: September 23-26,  
2015*

*Sickle Cell Disease Association of America  
(SCDAA) 43rd Annual Convention*

Hilton - Baltimore, Maryland

For more information, please visit  
[www.sicklecelldisease.org](http://www.sicklecelldisease.org)



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## Our Mission:

*FWGBD seeks to ensure that all women and girls with blood disorders are correctly diagnosed and optimally treated and managed at every life stage.*