

GREETINGS FROM OUR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



Welcome to December, the last month of the year, but the first month for very special new features for physicians and patients on our site. In addition, we bring you presentations from the 2007 American Epilepsy Society (AES) meetings and an education program from the AES.

For your patients, we have added many new features to *epilepsy.com* that will help facilitate their medical care as well as enhance the physician-patient partnership. Our website features this month include:

- **The All New *epilepsy.com*:** Warren Lammert provides a guide to our new look in "It's about the Community: New *epilepsy.com* features fresh design, content and tools." We invite you to tell your patients about the new blogs, forums, wiki, seizure management diaries, as well as "find people like me" section, and to check them out for yourself.
- **American Epilepsy Society (AES) Meeting News:** From the annual AES meeting in Philadelphia, watch for reports that will include: conference proceedings, special topic sessions such as AEDs and Generic Substitution, and features from members of *epilepsy.com*. We are also preparing interviews with Cynthia Harden, MD, on mood assessment, and Carol Camfield, MD, on how epilepsy affects family relationships.
- **Epilepsy Education:** Designed for medical students, residents and practicing physicians, this important and up-to-date educational program from the AES includes the basic science of epilepsy, clinical epilepsy, neuropharmacology, and neurosurgical aspects of epilepsy.
- **Post Traumatic Epilepsy:** We continue to bring you news about post-traumatic epilepsy and this month feature an interview with Anne Van Cott, MD, of the VA Health Care System in Pittsburgh.
- **The Health Outcomes in Pregnancy and Epilepsy Forum:** We have been featuring briefs from the HOPE forum. The full papers are now published in the November issue of *Epilepsy & Behavior* and our website has the summaries (www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/15255050).

December is a busy month for all of us. As the year winds down, I wish you joyful holiday celebrations. Looking towards the New Year, my wish is for breakthroughs in research that will help give our patients the quality of life that they all deserve.

Sincerely,

Steven C. Schachter, MD
Editor-in-Chief

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Upcoming epilepsy-related conferences, symposia, and events include:

April 02-April 05, 2008

International Symposium on Dietary Therapies for Epilepsy and Other Neurological Disorders

The Ritz-Carlton Phoenix, Arizona

April 10-April 11, 2008

International Symposium on Febrile Seizures and Related Conditions

Otsu, Japan

May 04-May 08, 2008

13th European Congress of Clinical Neurophysiology

Istanbul, Turkey.



WE NEED YOUR HELP

epilepsy.com/Professionals is building a resource section of useful practice tools for the professional community. If you have a form, patient information sheet, or other useful handout for patients with epilepsy, and you'd like to share it with thousands of your colleagues by adding it to the [resource section of epilepsy.com/professionals](#), please email it to rita@epilepsytdp.org or fax it to (703) 437-4288, and we'll take it from there. Thanks!!

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