BECKER EDUCATION
& ENGAGEMENT **DAY**

AGENDA

PORTLAND, OR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH Agenda

8:00am – 8:00pm Local Time

WELCOME & FOUNDATIONS OF BECKER — 8:00-11:15am

8:00-9:00am • **Registration and Breakfast**	
9:00-9:15am • **Welcome Remarks**	Nassim Rad, MD Bill Rooney, PhD
9:15-10:15am • **All About Becker Muscular Dystrophy**	Nassim Rad, MD
10:15-11:15am • **Cardiac Considerations for Becker**	Patrick Evers, MD, MBA, MSc

Break: 11:15am - 11:30am

BECKER RESEARCH LANDSCAPE — 11:30-12:30pm

11:30-12:15pm • **Research Updates and What's Ahead**	Erika Finanger, MD, MS
12:15-12:30pm • **Recap and Audience Q&A**	Nassim Rad, MD Bill Rooney, PhD

Lunch: 12:30pm - 1:15pm

LIVING WITH BECKER — 1:15-2:45pm

1:15-2:00pm • **Dystrophin and the Brain**	James Poysky, PhD Bill Rooney, PhD
2:00-2:45pm • **Walks of Life: Individuals with Becker Panel**	Bill Rooney, PhD Panel: Omar Sheikh, Robert Francis "Frank" Warda

Break: 2:45pm - 3:00pm

AFTERNOON TRACK SESSIONS — 3:00-4:40pm

Adult Track (Concurrent to Pediatric Track)

3:00-3:30pm • **Career and Employment with Becker**	Michelle Taylor, MA, CRC
3:30-4:00pm • **How to Talk About Becker with Family, Partners, Kids, and Friends**	Wen Pei Ridenour, BSN, RN
4:00-4:40pm • **Relationship Dynamics and Intimacy**	Amanda Appel, MD, MPH

Pediatric Track (Concurrent to Adult Track)

3:00-3:30pm • **Pediatric Care and Transition Considerations for Becker**	Erika Finanger, MD, MS
3:30-4:00pm • **Parenting a Child with Becker: Finding a Balance**	Christine Rattigan, LICSW
4:00-4:40pm • **Parent and Caregiver Point of View Panel**	Christine Rattigan, LICSW Panel: Jude Bergkamp, Emily Bergkamp, Jamie LaCotta, Megan Nelson, Tate Nelson

DAY ONE CLOSING REMARKS — 4:45-5:00pm

Exhibitor Reception & Informal Break: 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Community Dinner: 6:30pm - 8:00pm

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH Agenda

7:30am – 1:15pm Local Time

BREAKFAST & CONNECTION — 7:30-8:30am

7:30-8:30am • Breakfast	
7:45-8:30am • Breakfast Breakout: Women of Becker	Nassim Rad, MD Wen Pei Ridenour, BSN RN

MOVEMENT, THERAPY, AND INDEPENDENCE — 8:30-11:00am

8:30-8:45am • Welcome & Day One Recap	Nassim Rad, MD Bill Rooney, PhD
8:45-9:45am • Physical Therapy, Exercise, and Stretching for Becker	Claudia Senesac, PT, PhD, PCS
9:45-10:45am •	Claudia Senesac, PT, PhD, PCS
Occupational Therapy and Maintaining Independence Through Equipment/Technology for Becker	
10:45-11:00am • PT/OT Panel	Claudia Senesac, PT, PhD, PCS

Break: 11:00am - 11:15am

THRIVING WITH BECKER ROUNDTABLE ACTIVITY — 11:15-12:45pm

Travel and Accessibility	James Poysky, PhD
Stretching and Wheelchair Positioning	Claudia Senesac, PT, PhD, PCS
Adaptable Living: Home Modifications, Equipment, Vehicles	Claudia Senesac, PT, PhD, PCS
Hobbies and Life with Becker	Amy Rosenfeld
Parenting a Child with Becker	Christine Rattigan, LICSW
School and College Resources	Caitlin Sevey

BUILDING COMMUNITY & STAYING CONNECTED — 12:45-1:00pm

Event Closing & To-Go Lunch: 1:00pm - 1:15pm