

SCRS

South Carolina Rheumatism Society



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The South Carolina Rheumatism Society (SCRS) represents the common interests of rheumatologists in the state of South Carolina. Our purposes are the following:

- 1) To support and provide continuing education of all rheumatologists in the state of South Carolina.
- 2) To serve as the main educational voice regarding rheumatologic illness in the state of South Carolina
- 3) To support the education of rheumatology fellows training in our state.
- 4) To promote the specialty of Rheumatology to medical students and residents training in our state.
- 5) To support research through contributions to the Research and Education Foundation of the American College of Rheumatology.
- 6) To support the education of the public regarding rheumatic disease through the donation of books to local public libraries.

As one of the oldest and most active state rheumatology societies, we are very proud of our support of rheumatology in South Carolina. Our yearly meeting is considered one of the best regional meetings in the country, attracting over fifty rheumatologists to Charleston each April to hear national thought leaders, in addition to providing the Medical University of South Carolina (MUSC) rheumatology fellows with an opportunity to present their research. We are also very proud of the strong Rheumatology department at MUSC, which boasts one of the strongest fellowship programs in the country and promotes our specialty with monthly student and resident rotations that attract top candidates to our field. We provide yearly support to the department by funding expenses for each fellow to attend a national academic meeting. We also serve to educate the public on rheumatologic disease through contribution of books to local libraries in addition to promoting access to rheumatologists across the state.

SCRS would greatly appreciate your support of our efforts.

This year we are extending an exhibitor opportunity to our pharmaceutical partners. Please consider joining at the following levels.

-\$7,500.00: Silver Exhibitor:

- Exhibition space at the annual meeting (1 table)
- Two company representatives per table at a time
- Recognition in the annual meeting syllabus

**Silver plus, you can add up to 2 additional name badges for \$500 per additional badge.

-\$12,500.00: Gold Exhibitor:

- Exhibition space at the annual meeting (2 tables)
- Two company representatives per table at a time
- Recognition in the annual meeting syllabus

We would be thrilled to have you as an exhibitor at the SCRS .

We are classified as a nonprofit organization. Our Tax ID is 30-0241002. Please feel free to contact me via email at nholdgate@articularishealthcare.com if you have any questions. Please send contributions to Dr. Nicholas Holdgate, SCRS Treasurer, 2001 2nd Ave #201, Summerville, South Carolina, 29486.

Thank you very much for your support of rheumatology in the state of South Carolina.

Sincerely,



Nicholas Holdgate, MD
Treasurer, South Carolina Rheumatism Society