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Just One Month Left Until Conference Scholarship Deadline!



Thanks to the generosity of donors, the Scleroderma Foundation is able to provide scholarships for individuals who may otherwise not be able to attend our annual National Patient Education Conference.

The application for the 2014 conference in Anaheim, Calif., now is available. **The scholarship application deadline is Friday, March 14, 2014, just a month away!**

Please [visit our website](#) to learn about the application requirements and guidelines, and to [download the application](#). If you have questions, please call Tracey O. Sperry at (800) 722-4673 or email tsperry@scleroderma.org.

Would you like to receive more information about the 2014 National Patient Education Conference in Anaheim? [Sign-up for our email alerts >>](#)

Pope Francis Prays for People with Scleroderma



Leading up to the Third Systemic Sclerosis World Congress in Rome, members of FESCA (Federation of European Scleroderma Associations) were given special seating in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican for the Pope's weekly general audience. Pope Francis stopped to pray with some scleroderma patients as he made his way around the

square to greet crowds, and issued a blessing to everyone participating at the World Congress. *Pictured left: FESCA banner; members got VIP seating during the Papal General Audience in St. Peter's Square, Feb. 5, 2014.*

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ACR Drafts Checklist for GPs to Determine Need for Rheumatologist



The American College of Rheumatology Simple Tasks campaign has compiled a list of early warning signs of inflammatory rheumatic diseases that general practitioners may use to determine if a rheumatologist referral is needed. Because symptoms of rheumatic disease can be indicative of different disorders, they can be difficult

to identify, according to the [campaign's website](#).

[Read the entire article on Healio.com >>](#)

Guide to Healthy Web Surfing



There's a large amount of medical information available online, but everyone should be wary of accuracy and quality when doing their own research. MedlinePlus has some great tips on what should you look for when evaluating the quality of health information on websites.

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