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## Scleroderma Centers Designated in Connecticut and New Jersey



We are happy to announce the Interventional Immunology Center and Winchester Chest Clinic of Yale University in New Haven, CT and the Division of Pediatric Rheumatology at Joseph M. Sanzari Children's Hospital in Hackensack, NJ have been designated as Scleroderma Foundation research and treatment centers. To be designated

as a Scleroderma Center of Excellence on our website, institutions must:

- Demonstrate expertise in scleroderma including clinical and laboratory-based research.
- Conduct clinical trials in scleroderma.
- Conduct educational activities about scleroderma, and provide information about the advances in the care and treatment of patients with scleroderma to health care professionals and the public.

[Read more about the New Haven, CT Interventional Immunology Center and Winchester Chest Clinic of Yale University Center >>](#)

[Read more about the Hackensack, NJ Division of Pediatric Rheumatology at Joseph M. Sanzari Children's Hospital Center >>](#)

## Got Drugs? National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal on Saturday, Sept. 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means to

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dispose of prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for medication abuse.

[Locate a collection site near you at the Department of Justice website >>](#)

## HHS Announces \$60 Million to Help Consumers Navigate Their Health Care Coverage Options



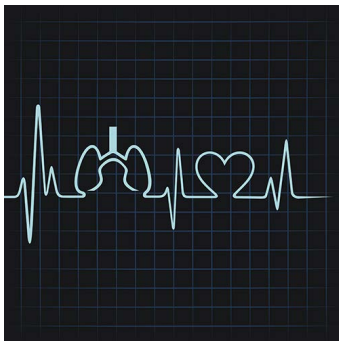
The Affordable Care Act is working for millions of Americans who are able to access quality health coverage at a price they can afford, in large part because of the efforts of in-person assisters in local communities across the nation. People shopping for and enrolling in coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace can get local help in a number of ways, including

through Navigators.

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell recently announced \$60 million in Navigator grant awards to 90 organizations in states with federally-facilitated and state partnership Marketplaces. These awards support preparation and outreach activities in year two of Marketplace enrollment and build on lessons learned from last year.

[Read the entire release at HHS.gov >>](#)

## American Thoracic Society: Lung Transplant Week



Lung Transplant Week at the ATS is a joint effort of the American Thoracic Society and the Lung Transplant Foundation (LTF) to help bring attention to the state of lung transplant practice and research. There are many encouraging areas of research that show promise in making more lungs available and viable for donation as well as methods for diagnosing and anticipating the various forms of rejection associated with the lung transplant process. The ATS and the LTF support those

who are working diligently to develop these treatments and the future medicines that will improve the lives of lung transplant recipients.

[Read more about Lung Transplant Week at the ATS website >>](#)



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