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## Only Three Weeks Until the Conference Scholarship Deadline!



Thanks to the generosity of our many, valued 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 2015 conference in Nashville, TN, now is available. **The scholarship application deadline is Friday, March 27, 2015, just three weeks 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](mailto:tsperry@scleroderma.org).

Would you like to receive more information about the 2015 National Patient Education Conference in Nashville? [Sign-up for our email alerts >>](#)

## ATS Launches New Website



The American Thoracic Society (ATS) has just launched its newly redesigned website. With a clean look and simple navigation, the new website design is intended to better communicate the work done by the ATS and its members. Learn all about the ATS, what they do, and how you can attend their conference, participate in advocacy, and so much more at their new website.

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## NIH Clinical Research Trials



Clinical trials are part of clinical research and at the heart of all medical advances. Clinical trials look at new ways to prevent, detect, or treat disease. The goal of clinical trials is to determine if a new test or treatment works and is safe. People participate in clinical trials for a variety of reasons. Healthy volunteers say they participate to help others and to

contribute to moving science forward. Participants with an illness or disease also participate to help others, but also to possibly receive the newest treatment and to have the additional care and attention from the clinical trial staff.

[Learn more about clinical trials at NIH.gov >>](#)

## Evaluating Internet Health Information: A Tutorial from the National Library of Medicine



It can be difficult to know how to evaluate the accuracy of health information available for free on the Internet. The National Library of Medicine is offering a 16-minute tutorial on how to evaluate the health information that you find on the Web.

To view the tutorial, you need the Flash plug-in, version 8 or above. If you do not have Flash, you will be prompted to obtain a free download of the software before you start.

[Take the tutorial at Medline Plus >>](#)

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