

# GLANZMANN'S THROMBASTHENIA *Symposia*<sup>TM</sup>

## About the Symposia

Individuals with Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia (GT) are a very small group within the bleeding disorder community with a unique set of needs for education, advocacy and support. The GT Symposia is intended to bring those affected by this very rare bleeding disorder together to establish a community. Over the years, CHES has seen the benefits of these programs for families and individuals where participants finally feel as though there is someone else out there who truly understands their unique needs.

Join us for a weekend of education, support, and fun for those affected by GT and their families.

## What to expect

Fly into the Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport on Friday morning/afternoon, followed by a 15-minute transport to the Newport News Marriott, where we will be staying for the weekend.

After check-in and registration, we will get together for dinner to make new friends, connect with Facebook friends and begin the process of creating a support network for the GT community.

After breakfast on Saturday morning, our full day of sessions begins with speakers on topics such as Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia 101, caregiver needs, self-infusion, your child's school needs, and more! Childcare will be provided for children ages 0-12 with a field trip for ages 3-12 to the Virginia Living Museum. Teens will have their own separate track. Saturday evening, we will enjoy a little free time, dinner, and entertainment as we continue building relationships within the community.

Sunday morning, we will finish off the weekend with a wrap-up and good-byes.

## Date

Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, thru  
Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## Location

Newport News Marriott  
City Center  
740 Town Center Drive  
Newport News, VA 23606

## Registration

Space is limited, and preference will be based on a first-come, first-served basis.

To apply:

- Visit [GTSymposia.org](http://GTSymposia.org)
- Call us at 781.878.8561

See back for more details.



## Frequently Asked Questions

### Who can attend?

Anyone with a diagnosis of Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia and their immediate family (those who live under the same household.)

### Will the location be accessible to wheelchairs and other mobility devices?

Absolutely!

### How much does it cost to attend?

There are **no costs** associated with attending the GT Symposia. Travel related expenses including tolls, mileage and parking will be reimbursed. Air transportation will be arranged for you. All meals will be provided on site.

### Will child care be available?

Childcare will be provided on site during educational sessions for ages 0-2. A field trip is available for children ages 3-12, and teens will have their own separate sessions all weekend.

### For a complete list of FAQs, visit our website.

GTsymposia.org



Newport News, Virginia

## About CHES

Comprehensive Health Education Services has been serving the needs of those with rare bleeding conditions since 2009. It was founded by two members of the inhibitor community: one a mom of a child with hemophilia and an inhibitor and one who has had an inhibitor all of his life. We don't just know life with an inhibitor, we live it. Our mission is to inspire awareness and self-reliance for patients with chronic health conditions, their families, and their communities. Our educational and networking programs include:

### Patient Education Programs:

- **After the Shock™** for parents and caregivers of children with inhibitors ages 0-5 - [aftertheshock.org](http://aftertheshock.org)
- **Inhibitor Family Camp™** for children with inhibitors ages 6-17 and their immediate families - [inhibitorfamilycamp.org](http://inhibitorfamilycamp.org)
- **Leverage™** for individuals with inhibitors ages 18 and up - [leverageyourinhibitors.org](http://leverageyourinhibitors.org)
- **FVII Retreat™** for individuals with factor 7 deficiency and their immediate families - [fviiiretreat.org](http://fviiiretreat.org)
- **Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Symposia™** for individuals with GT and their immediate families - [gtsymposia.org](http://gtsymposia.org)
- **LadyBugs Program™** for women with bleeding disorders - [ladybugsprogram.org](http://ladybugsprogram.org)
- **LifeLines for Health™**: The only national newsletter for the inhibitor community - [lifelinesforhealth.org](http://lifelinesforhealth.org)

## How do we fund programming?

CHES competes rigorously for grants provided by manufacturers to support educational programming. We are an independent chronic disease education company, unaffiliated with any entity that provides medical care to the communities they serve. Manufacturer representatives are prohibited from attending our events due to the structure of educational grant funding.

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