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"Burke Rehabilitation Center to Host Fourth Annual Brain Bee Competition in White Plains"

WHITE PLAINS, NY – February 5, 2015 – Burke Rehabilitation Hospital will be hosting the 4th annual local championship for the International Brain Bee competition on February 11th. The International Brain Bee is an annual, not-for-profit neuroscience competition for high school students designed to encourage them to learn about the brain and inspire them to pursue careers in neurological research.

The contest is open to all high school students in Westchester County. They will be judged by a distinguished panel of clinicians and therapists who will quiz the students on human neuroanatomy, neuroscience, types of diagnoses and brain cell identification. "The Brain Bee gives budding neuroscientists the opportunity to test their knowledge and further pique their interest in the brain and nervous system," said Janet Goodman, LMSW, case manager for Burke's Brain Injury Program and coordinator for the Brain Bee in Westchester. "We need to continue to encourage these young men and women who will be the next generation of scientists seeking cures for the disabling injuries and illnesses that affect millions of Americans."

Local Brain Bees make up the first qualifying round in the International Brain Bee competition. The winners then move on to compete in the national Brain Bee — the location and dates of which are yet to be determined. The winner from the U.S. finals will go on to compete in the international championship later in the year.

The Westchester Brain Bee will be held at 4:30 p.m. on February 11th in Burke's Rosedale conference room, 785 Mamaroneck Ave., building 4, in White Plains. For additional information or to register, contact Janet Goodman at (914) 597-2237 or jgoodman@burke.org.



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Burke Rehabilitation Hospital is a private, not-for-profit, acute rehabilitation hospital. Founded in 1915, it is the only hospital in Westchester County dedicated solely to rehabilitation medicine. Burke offers both inpatient and outpatient programs for those who have experienced a disabling illness, traumatic injury or joint replacement surgery. The hospital is part of Burke Rehabilitation Center, which also includes Burke Medical Research Institute. Burke's world-renowned doctors and therapists provide state-of-the-art treatment while its research scientists explore the frontiers of neurological and rehabilitation medicine. All share the Burke mission to ensure that every patient makes the fullest possible recovery from illness or injury regardless of their ability to pay. For additional information on Burke Rehabilitation Center, please visit <u>burke.org</u>.

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