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“Burke Rehabilitation Center and Hospital for Special Surgery to Host Free Pain Management Seminar, Nov. 20”

WHITE PLAINS, NY – Oct. 31, 2013 -- Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, in conjunction with Hospital for Special Surgery (HSS) in New York City, the leader in orthopedics, will host a free pain management seminar from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 20, in the Rosedale Conference Room of the Billings Building on the Burke campus at 785 Mamaroneck Ave. in White Plains.

The co-sponsored program will feature presentations by Mary F. Chisholm, M.D., assistant attending anesthesiologist at HSS as well as an assistant clinical professor in anesthesiology at Weill Cornell Medical College. She specializes in both palliative care and regional anesthesia with a subspecialty in pain management. Her talk will discuss how pain manifests itself in our bodies and what it means.

Barbara Wukovits, R.N., BSNC, director of pain services in the Department of Anesthesiology at HSS will discuss taking control of your pain, your options, what to do and who to see.

The evening’s third presenter will be Wil Siegel, DPT, supervisor of Burke Rehabilitation Hospital’s Mamaroneck Outpatient Clinic. He will discuss the importance of staying active and how exercising can help reduce pain.

According to Mary Beth Walsh, M.D., CEO and executive medical director of Burke Rehabilitation Hospital, “This free educational program being held jointly by Burke and the Hospital for Special Surgery demonstrates both organizations’ commitment to community education programs and reinforces the working relationship the two hospitals have shared for many years.”

For more information about the Pain Management Seminar or to register for the event, please call (914) 597-2848. Seating is limited and registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.
About Burke Rehabilitation Hospital
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 www.burke.org.

About Hospital for Special Surgery
Founded in 1863, Hospital for Special Surgery (HSS) is a world leader in orthopedics, rheumatology and rehabilitation. HSS is nationally ranked No. 1 in orthopedics, No. 4 in rheumatology, and No. 5 in geriatrics by U.S. News & World Report (2013-14), and is the first hospital in New York State to receive Magnet Recognition for Excellence in Nursing Service from the American Nurses Credentialing Center three consecutive times. HSS has one of the lowest infection rates in the country. From 2007 to 2012, HSS has been a recipient of the HealthGrades Joint Replacement Excellence Award. HSS is a member of the NewYork-Presbyterian Healthcare System and an affiliate of Weill Cornell Medical College and as such all Hospital for Special Surgery medical staff are faculty of Weill Cornell. The hospital's research division is internationally recognized as a leader in the investigation of musculoskeletal and autoimmune diseases. Hospital for Special Surgery is located in New York City and online at www.hss.edu.

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