

Support Groups for individuals diagnosed with Movement Disorders

ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis) Support Group:

- Meets 3rd Thursday monthly starting at 11:00 a.m. at Forest City Public Library, 1501 Stiles Avenue, Savannah, GA 31415 Contact: Robin Racoff, <u>robin@alsaga.org</u> or 404-290-1550
- Virtual Support Group meets on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10:00 a.m. Contact: Robin Racoff, <u>robin@alsaga.org</u> or 404-290-1550 for meeting link.
- Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/2019878358339775

Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group:

 Meets 2nd Monday of the month starting at 4:00 p.m. Bethany Community Commons Building 353 Gesmon Neville Lane Savannah, GA 30458 For more information and to register call 800-272-3900

Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group:

Meets 1st Thursday monthly at:

- 10:00 a.m. Sun City-Hidden Cypress, Coosaw Room (please call prior to attending)
- 2:00 p.m. St. Andrews Chapel, Hall Pickney Colony Road

Contact: Carol Mullen, CDP at <u>carolmullen1@yahoo.com</u> or 404-917-6277.

Ataxia:

- www.ataxia.org
- National Ataxia Foundation Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/NAFmail</u>



Deep Brain Stimulation Online Support Group & Education:

 Parkinson's and Dystonia facebook support group and education information on Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS). Experiences from those living with DBS and other health professionals <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/PDandDBSsupport/</u>

Dystonia Medical Research Foundation Online Support Groups:

Facebook groups and forums create a community for those with dystonia. To join one of the groups below, visit <u>https://dystonia-foundation.org/living-dystonia/online/</u>

- Dystonia Support & Awareness
- Cervical Dystonia Support Forum
- Oromandibular, Blepharospasm, & Cranial Dystonia Support Forum
- Generalized Dystonia Support Forum
- 20/30 Dystonia Group A forum for people in their 20s and 30s
- Support4Parents of Children with Dystonia
- Dystonia and Deep Brain Stimulation
- Parenting with Dystonia Support Forum
- Dystonia Spouses & Loved Ones
- Musicians with Dystonia Support Forum
- Dystonia Special Education Blog by Roberta Senzel, Esq.



Edel Caregiver Institute Support Groups:

- Dementia Caregivers Support Group:
 - Meets the 2nd Wednesday monthly at 11:00 a.m. online. <u>https://www.hospicesavannah.org/dementia-caregiver-online-support-group-consent/</u> Contact: Jill Costello, <u>icostello@hospicesavannah.org</u> or 912-629-1331
- Caregiver Support Group (non-disease specific):
 - Meets 2nd Tuesday monthly at 11:00 a.m. online.
 - Meets in-person at Hospice Savannah In-Patient Unit. 1352 Eisenhower Drive, Savannah, GA 31406. Meets 2nd Wednesday monthly at 6:00 p.m. Contact: Jill Costello, <u>icostello@hospicesavannah.org</u> or 912-629-1331
- Caregiver Fellowship Support Group:
 - Meets 2nd Tuesday monthly from 1:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m.
 Frank G Murray Community Center. 25 Wilmington Island Road, Savannah, GA 31410.

For all groups, contact: Jill Costello at <u>JCostello@HospiceSavannah.org</u> or the Edel Caregiver Institute at 912-629-1331.

Essential Tremors:

 Savannah Parkinson and Movement Disorders (PMD) Support Group Meets 3rd Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Marsh Auditorium, Candler Hospital. 5353 Reynolds Street, Savannah, GA 31405 Contact: Katy Harne, 912-663-6803, harneka@sjchs.org



Get Excited and Move! (GEM):

Parkinson's, Essential Tremor, and other Movement Disorders focused exercise class at Anderson-Cohen Weightlifting Center. Quarterly meetings.

Meets Monday – Friday at 11:00 a.m.
 7232 Varnedoe Drive, Savannah, GA 31406
 Contact Rebecca Heyward at 912-398-7611 or
 <u>Rebecca.Heyward@gmail.com</u>

Huntington's Disease Society of America (HDSA):

<u>Http://hdsa.org.</u> This organization offers monthly support groups hosted on the SupportGroupsCentral platform.

- HDSA At Risk/Not Tested Support Group For adults 18+ who are at risk for HD.
- **Parent Caregiver** A group for any parent caring for a young child or adult child with HD.
- HDSA Caregiver Support Group Support group for those with loved ones with HD.
- HD Positive, Early Symptoms

For those with early symptoms to discuss changes in their lives.

For all groups, contact: Jessica Marsolek, <u>imarsolek@hdsa.org</u> <u>https://hdsa.org/find-help/community-social-support/hdsa-support-groups/</u>

Lewy Body Dementia Association (LBDA):

Contact: Support Services, 800-539-9767, support@LBDA.org

- Living with Lewy Group only for those who have Lewy Body Dementia & newly diagnosed. <u>www.facebook.com/groups/LBDALivingwithLewy</u>
- Living Together with Lewy Group for those with Lewy Body Dementia and their care partners. <u>www.facebook.com/groups/LBDALivingTogetherwithLewy</u>
- Care Partner Support Group Facebook Care Partner of those with Lewy Body Dementia Support Group <u>www.facebook.com/groups/LBDACarePartnerSupportGroup</u>

For additional information, questions, or to promote an active support group, please contact the Outreach Coordinator at 912-663-6803 or email harneka@sjchs.org



Multiple System Atrophy:

- Online Support Groups-various topics <u>https://www.psp.org/ineedsupport/online-support-groups/</u>
- MSA Support Hotline 866-737-5999, info@multiplesystematrophy.org

Multiple Sclerosis - PRYME2:

 Meets 2nd Tuesdays monthly from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Marsh Auditorium, Candler Hospital. 5353 Reynolds Street, Savannah, GA 31405 Contact: Dr. Virginia Morrison, 912-308-5384, vmorriso@bellsouth.net

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Connections Support Group:

- For more support group information, visit <u>http://namiga.org/support-and-education/support-groups/</u>
- Contact: *info@namisavannah.org*
- NAMI Georgia HelpLine is available M F 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. by phone 770-408-0625 or email <u>helpline@namiga.org</u>
- In a crisis, call or text 988

National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD):

• For the latest news and events, visit https://rarediseases.org/

Restless Leg Syndrome:

- <u>www.rls.org</u>
- Periodic support group meetings online via zoom

https://www.rls.org/get-involved/find-support-backup?



Georgia Tourette Community Support Group:

- Meets the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. online.
 Email <u>Georgia@Tourette.org</u> for more information.
- Tourette Association of GA Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/TouretteGeorgia/

Tourette Association of America – Online Support Groups:

www.tourette.org .Contact: Alexandra Walsh, <u>alexandra.walsh@tourette.org</u>.

To find all groups, visit https://tourette.org/online-support-groups-tourettesyndrome/

- Parent Support Group Multiple groups, varying times. See website for more details.
- Young Adult Support Group Every second Wednesday of the month from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- LGBTQ+ TS Support Group Last Thursday of the month 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
- En Espanol
 Si tiene algunas preguntas, comuníquese con Alexandra Walsh, <u>alexandra.walsh@tourette.org</u>