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Lung Disease Week Series Kicks Off February 8, 2015



Throughout 2015, the ATS Public Advisory Roundtable will host its fifth annual "Lung Disease Week at the ATS" series, a society-wide initiative that recognizes the many rare lung disorders for which ATS PAR member organizations provide support and guidance to patients and their families. For a series of one-week periods, ATS PAR brings patient issues to the front and center of the Society's agenda. The ATS will foster interaction between patients, clinicians and researchers by hosting online question-and-answer sessions, webinars and/or podcasts featuring lung disease experts.

Scleroderma Lung Disease Week is scheduled for June 7-13, 2015.

[View the full calendar of lung disease weeks >>](#)

State-by-State Resources for Affordable Care Act Enrollment



The American College of Physicians has a number of resources for the Affordable Care Act listed on their website. Patient Enrollment Guides are available as downloadable PDFs, which can be saved to your computer or printed. Choose your state from the list and get a brief review of the coverage programs and resources to find out more.

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Five Wheelchair Van Shopping Tips



If you're the caregiver for an individual who uses a wheelchair, owning a wheelchair accessible van is helpful and can be more affordable with these tips. When you shop for a wheelchair van, keep these tips in mind to make sure you get the best van for your needs at the best possible price.

[Read the article at Caregiver.com >>](#)

Should You Take Dietary Supplements?



More than half of all Americans take one or more dietary supplements daily or on occasion. Supplements are available without a prescription and usually come in pill, powder or liquid form. Common supplements include vitamins, minerals and herbal products, also known as botanicals.

People take these supplements to make sure they get enough essential nutrients and to maintain or improve their health. But not everyone needs to take supplements.

[Read the entire article at News in Health >>](#)

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