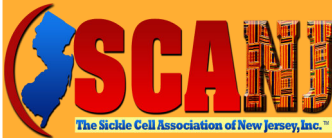


Sickle cell disease is the most common inherited blood disorder in the USA. People with sickle cell disease have red blood cells that become hard, cause anemia, pain and many serious health problems. Your involvement makes the difference in overcoming this disease.



## Calendar Listings OCTOBER

**2nd Connections Support Group**  
Tuesday 7:00pm –8:30pm NBCS 1016  
Broad St. Newark

**9th Sickle Cell Workshop for Nurses**  
8:00am –3:00pm at Overlook Hospital in Summit. SCANJ Board President, Dr. Ansley LaMar presentation on *The Social Psychological Impact of Living with SCD*

**10-13th SCDAA National Convention**  
Hyatt Regency Inner Harbor, Baltimore MD. SCANJ Road Scholars attend.

## NOVEMBER

**2nd Montclair Branch NAACP 102nd Thurgood Marshall Freedom Fund Dinner & Awards Ceremony.** SCANJ Founder, Mary Bentley LaMar to receive The Julian Bond Community Service Award for her work in sickle cell disease. Hanover Manor, 16 Eagle Rock Ave, East Hanover, NJ. To purchase tickets visit [MontclairNAACP.org](http://MontclairNAACP.org)

**9th The Eighth Annual 24SEVEN Line Dance Marathon.** New Jersey City University, Jersey City, NJ. 5:00pm-midnight.

**15th ASAH Annual Luncheon** Association of private schools serving special needs children. SCANJ Founder, Mary Bentley LaMar to receive The Humanitarian Award for her work in sickle cell disease. Harrah's Atlantic City, NJ

**17th The Sixth Annual Statewide Sickle Cell Symposium.** Liberty Science Center, Jersey City, NJ. 10:00am-3:00pm.

**SCANJ EVENTS ARE FREE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED**  
**REGISTER via events on**  
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## What Have You Learned Today and What Will You Share?



**Mary Bentley LaMar**  
Founder  
Executive Director

This is a great month of learning in the Sickle Cell Community. Many are attending The 46th Annual National Convention of the Sickle Cell Disease Association of America held October 10-13th in Baltimore, Maryland. Over 100 workshops, presentations and/or posters are offered. This is one of the best opportunities to learn about all aspects of sickle cell disease, including the latest research and new drug therapies in the pipeline.

SCANJ is pleased to once again support over 10 Road Scholars in attending the SCDAA convention, including our Child Ambassador and her family.

Meanwhile back in New Jersey...I'd like to give a special thanks to the North Jersey Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club and Calvary

### SCANJ Mission Statement

*To advocate for people affected by sickle cell conditions and to maximize quality of life and raise public consciousness while advancing the search for a universal cure.*

Baptist Church of Morristown for their partnership and support of the American Red Cross Sickle Cell Blood Drive on September 29th. We made our goal for blood donations! Yes!!

Please continue on this learning journey. Check out the calendar listings and especially the upcoming 24Seven Line Dance Marathon Fundraiser on November 9th and the 6th Annual Statewide Sickle Cell Symposium on November 17th. Get your dancing shoes ready and your thinking cap on!

~Mary



## When You Know Better You Do Better...

When you know better, you do better? We have often heard that phrase. Help us to make that phrase true by attending and benefitting from the knowledge gained at the 6th Annual Statewide Sickle Cell Disease Symposium at the Liberty Science Center.

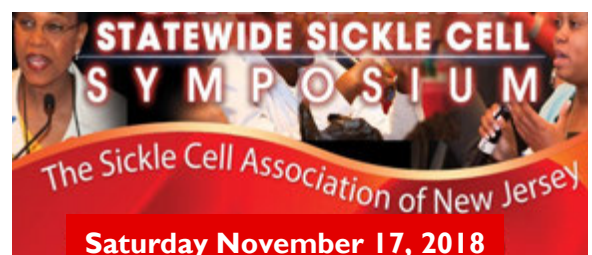
### Workshops include:

- Sickle Cell Disease-Redefined
- Success In Schools; Working with IEP & 504 Plans
- Youth Research Expedition/Teen to Transition
- Emerging Treatments for SCD
- Lunch & Learn Panel Discussion on Advocacy

**New this year is the SCANJ version of the Jeopardy Game!** Come out and test your skills and knowledge and win some great prizes!

Another highlight of the symposium is honoring those who have done outstanding work for the sickle cell community. Be with us as we celebrate the Dr. Charles F. Whitten Awardees for outstanding Service.

Check out our Facebook page for the latest updates on the symposium. This event is FREE but you must register. Call us or visit the events (Eventbrite.com) tab on [sicklecellnewjersey.org](http://sicklecellnewjersey.org). We want to see you there!



**Saturday November 17, 2018**

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## Connections Support Group



### Meetings on the first

**Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM.** South Jersey location in the odd numbered months i.e., January, March, May, September and November. **North Jersey** location in the even numbered months i.e., February, April, June, October and December

### This month's topic: Advocacy

This month's meeting is **Tuesday October 3rd** at NBCS 1016 Broad St. in Newark. **Next month's meeting is Tuesday, November 6th in Willingboro.** For more information and to RSVP you may register online via our events tab, call our office at 973 482-9070, or call our Community Outreach Coordinator, Darlene Young at 862 371-7138.

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Beverly Lucas-Editor

**Wobble Baby! Get In There! The 24 Seven is ON!!**



**SCANJ** **NJCU** **THE SICKLE CELL ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY**  
PRESENT  
**24** **EVENTS**  
**7 HOURS**  
**LINE DANCE MARATHON**  
**RAISING FUNDS AND AWARENESS FOR SICKLE CELL DISEASE!**  
**Friday November 9, 2018 5:00pm - Midnight**  
**7 Hour Non-Stop Party With A Purpose!**  
**HOST SPONSOR: NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY**  
**2039 JOHN F KENNEDY BLVD**  
**STUDENT UNION BUILDING 2ND FLOOR**  
**JERSEY CITY, NJ 07305**  
**REGISTER @ Eventbrite**

### Coming Soon...

**NOVEMBER 6TH**  
**ELECTION DAY**

**YOUR VOTE**  
**is**  
**YOUR VOICE**

**Diabetes Self-Management Program. 6 Week workshop series.** Wednesday's November 14th—December 19th at First Baptist Church of Beverly, 405 Broad Street, Beverly, NJ

### DECEMBER

**Holiday Parties with Kenta Klaus (Santa's brother)**  
**7th Holiday Central**

Location TBA

**14th Holiday South**  
Garden State Discovery Children's Museum in Cherry Hill, NJ

**15th Holiday North** Van Vleck House in Montclair, NJ

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