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Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado hosts local and national experts at inaugural Cannabis and Epilepsy Symposium

Event highlights the Foundation's observance of National Epilepsy Awareness Month in November

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, CO – October 3, 2018 – The Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado hosts its inaugural Cannabis and Epilepsy Symposium from noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17 at the McNichols Civic Center Building, Denver. The keynote speaker is Nolan Kane, PhD, of the Center of Research and Education Addressing Cannabis and Health.

The symposium will provide an informative discussion of how cannabis is shaping the future of epilepsy treatment. It features a two-track format, connecting families and health care providers with respected local and national experts in the cannabis field, medical professionals, legal specialists and government representatives.

With growing interest in cannabidiol as a potential treatment for seizures and the recent FDA approval of Epidiolex to treat two rare, severe forms of epilepsy, the symposium reflects a demonstrated need in the local community.

“We are pleased to be able to offer this educational opportunity to both the public and health care providers,” said Sarah Klein, executive director of the Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado. “The Foundation receives calls and questions on a regular basis about the medical and legal implications of CBD use, and we’re looking forward to sharing objective, unbiased information so people can get their questions answered and make informed health care decisions.”

This first-time event coincides with National Epilepsy Awareness Month, which raises awareness during November for the 3.4 million people in the United States living with epilepsy – nearly 60,000 of them right here in Colorado.

“One in 26 people will be diagnosed with epilepsy in their lifetime,” Klein said, “and the Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado is here to ensure that no one has to face that diagnosis alone. November is a special month for us to recognize the people we love who are living with epilepsy, and to continue raising awareness for this condition. We hope you’ll join us!”



Sponsor and vendor booths will be available to provide additional information and resources to attendees. Sponsors include Greenwich Biosciences, Saving Grace Oil and Stratos.

Tickets for this event are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Visit the event page at <https://www.epilepsycolorado.org/cannabis-and-epilepsy/> to learn more and purchase tickets.

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ABOUT THE EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF COLORADO: The Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado leads the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures and save lives. The Foundation is dedicated to meeting the needs of nearly 60,000 Coloradans living with epilepsy and seizures across the state. Visit us at www.epilepsycolorado.org.