

HCU Network America is excited to share that we will host *It's a Family Affair in the City of Brotherly Love*, the 2026 Homocystinuria's Family and Scientific Conference. The conference will be held on July 10-12th 2026, in Philadelphia, PA. We look forward to supporting our community by ensuring this event continues to provide an opportunity for affected individuals, families and professionals to come together to share the most current information in HCU research and medical care, and that families have the support they need as they live day-to-day.

The Homocystinuria's are a group of rare metabolic disorders whereby the amino acid (building blocks of protein), homocysteine, cannot be broken down in the body to be used as energy, especially in times of fasting or illness, and are treated through dietary changes and medications. When undiagnosed or left untreated, severe medical complications and/or death can occur.

The focus of this conference is for families to learn more about the latest research, medical management, nutrition and the mental, social, and emotional needs of those living with, and caring for a person with one of the homocystinuria's. This is a great opportunity for families to meet each other and have the opportunity to speak with professionals on an informal level. We will hear from a variety of speakers: medical professionals, dietitians, social workers, and genetic counselors.

Families living with homocystinuria have significant financial burdens with high medical bills, prescription costs, low protein foods and formula, and all that goes into caring for a loved one with a rare disease. Partnering with us to support the families that need us most allows us to offer the conference free of charge to all families and caregivers. Information on the various ways your company can participate as a partner for the 2026 Homocystinuria's Family and Scientific Conference can be found below.

On behalf of all the families we serve, thank you for your consideration.

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About the Conference

HCU Network America invites you to participate in their three-day biennial gathering of more than 175 members of their diverse HCU community that includes exhibits featuring the latest in low protein foods, medical formulas, drug development and clinical trials.

Who attends the HCU Network America Conference?









29 US states



- Those living with a homocystinuria (HCU)
- Parents, grandparents and caregivers of those living with HCU
- Siblings
- Metabolic and biochemical geneticists
- Metabolic dietitians
- Genetic counselors
- Research Institutions
- Researchers

About HCU Network America

HCU Network America is a 501c3 nonprofit organization dedicated to helping patients and their families affected by classical Homocystinuria (HCU), severe Methylenetetrahydrofolate reductase (MTHFR), and cobalamin deficiencies C-X (Cbl). Since 2016, HCU Network America has strived to inform and provide resources for patients and families, create connections, influence state and federal policy, and support the advancement of diagnosis and treatment for the homocystinuria's.



2024 Exhibitors Included:

- Abbott Nutrition
- Cambrooke
- Eton Pharmaceuticals
- Everylife Foundation
- IVD Solutions
- Nexus Patient Services
- Nutricia Metabolics
- Petri Bio
- Synlogic
- Taste Connections
- Tome Biosciences
- Travere
- Vitaflo
- Zoia Pharma

Exhibit Levels

Premier - \$15,000 and up

- Logo on all social media and email conference communications
- 4 Exhibitor passes (includes all sessions, meals and receptions.)
- Full page advertisement bag inserts (your company supplies materials)
- Premium display space with one 6' table
- Table location of your choosing
- Acknowledgement in our program, and logo on conference webpages
- Company publicly thanked at the event
- Includes 2026 HCU Network America Network Affiliate Status

Gold - \$10,000

- Premium display space with one 6' table
- Table location of your choosing
- 3 Exhibitor passes (includes all sessions and meals, only Friday reception)
- Half page advertisement bag inserts (your company supplies materials)
- Acknowledgement in our program, and logo on conference webpages
- Company publicly thanked at the event
- Includes 2026 HCU Network America Network Affiliate Status

Silver - \$6,000

- Premium display space with one 6' table
- 2 Exhibitor passes (includes all sessions and meals, only Friday reception)
- Quarter page advertisement bag inserts (your company supplies materials)
- Acknowledgement in our program, and logo on conference webpages
- Company publicly thanked at the event
- Includes 2026 HCU Network America Network Affiliate Status

Bronze - \$3,000

- Premium display space with one 6' table
- 1 Exhibitor pass (includes all sessions and meals, only Friday reception)
- Acknowledgement in our program, and logo on conference webpages
- Company publicly thanked at the event
- Includes 2026 HCU Network America Network Affiliate Status

Supporter - \$1,000

- Acknowledgement in our program, and logo on conference webpages
- Company publicly thanked at the event
- Ability to send things to be given away

Non-profit — \$1,000

- Bronze sponsor benefits
- Limited exhibitor space available

Additional exhibitor passes can be purchased for \$600 each (includes all sessions, meals and both receptions.)

Tickets to the Saturday Dinner Reception can be purchased for \$150.

Additional Sponsorship Opportunities

Vendor Passport Raffle

Saturday, July 11, 2026 6:30 pm

Donate item to be included

We will host a raffle during our reception Saturday evening to encourage attendees to visit the exhibitors. Attendees must visit every exhibitor and receive a signature from each to be entered into the drawing. Companies may donate prizes with a value of \$50 or more. Raffle items will be due 3 weeks before the conference. Please contact Danae' Bartke, Executive Director, dbartke@hcunetworkamerica.org regarding the prize donations.

Educational Grant - \$2,000

Limited availability (2)

Help build a stronger, more educated community by providing travel support for attendees to get to/from the conference. This also means an increase in exhibit hall attendees! For each \$2,000 contribution you will receive the ability to add a company provided bag insert. Sponsor will automatically be included on vendor passport.

Bags - \$1,500

Limited availability (1)

We always collect more than we can carry around. Help lighten the load by offering everyone a reusable bag with your logo on it! Sponsor will automatically be included on vendor passport.

Meal Sponsor – \$5,000

Limited availability (5)

As a 2026 meal sponsor, you'll gain critical face-to-face exposure with attendees in your target market. You'll be given 5 minutes to address conference goers during a meal break (share a short story about your company's history, products and services, or highlights of serving the homocystinuria's community). Sponsor will automatically be included on vendor passport.

KidZone - \$2,000

Limited availability (6)

We believe the conference experience benefits patients and siblings of all ages. Our KidZone program allows us to provide fun & engaging activities, education, and connection with younger patients and their siblings, while allowing their caregivers to attend and fully immerse themselves in conference sessions. Sponsor will automatically be included on vendor passport.

Sponsoring companies will have the opportunity to collaborate on an activity (promotion of products is prohibited).

Reception Sponsor – \$10,000

Limited availability (1)

Our reception is a time to celebrate our community. We will be formalizing this event and awarding a member of our community the HCU Champion Award for advocacy, along with our HCU Hero Award for a clinician or researcher who has made a significant impact in the homocystinuria community. Sponsor will automatically be included on vendor passport.

Guests will need to visit your table to receive their beverage tickets.

Contract for Exhibit Space and Sponsorship

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Please reserve space for our exhibit at the 2026 HCU Network America Conference. We understand that this application becomes a contract when we submit it, and acceptance is received from HCU Network America. Space is limited, and payment must be made to get priority. Applications completed at: https://forms.office.com/r/sbtLAwkTmp

Upon receipt, you will receive an invoice. Payments can be made at check or credit card at: https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/exhibit-space-and-sponsorship

Deadlines:

Applications are due by January 31, 2026. Payments must be received by March 15, 2026.

Tentative Schedule of Events:

- Thursday— Pre-meeting Activities
- o 01:00-04:00 Pool time
- o 04:00-08:00 Registration
- o 04:00-07:00 Community Dinner
 - Location TBD

Friday-Conference Schedule

- o 08:30-09:00 Welcome and Opening Comments
- Scientific Track
 - o 09:00-09:45 Rare-X for Research and Medical
 - 09:45-10:30 Establishing MTHFR-and MTR-deficient Cerebral Organoids
 - o 10:30-10:45 Break
 - 10:45-11:15 Aminoglycosides for the Treatment of Inborn Errors of Vitamin B12
 - 11:15-12:00 Combining Taurine and Formate/Betaine Treatment to Improve Clinical Outcome and Drug Safety in Classical CBS Deficient HCU
 - o 12:00-01:30 Lunch
 - o 01:30-02:15 Harmony Study, Phase 3 Clinical Trial of Pegtibatinase Update
 - o 02:15-02:30 Break
 - 02:30-03:15 Investigating the Therapeutic Potential of Intestinal Methionine Elimination via Oral Enzyme Therapy in HCU
 - o 03:15-03:45 Ask the Experts Panel

Family Track

- o 09:00-09:45 What is Homocystinuria?
- o 09:45-10:30 Treatment Guidelines
- o 10:30-10:45 Q & A
- o 10:45-11:00 Break
- o 11:00-12:00 What is ERT, Chaperone Therapy, Gene Editing and Gene Therapy?
- o 12:00-01:30 Lunch
- 01:30-02:30 Classical HCU and Remethylation Research Overview
- o 02:30-02:45 Break
- 02:45-03:45 Research: What you should know and ways to get involved
- o 03:45-04:30 Closing Comments
- o 04:00-07:00 Community Dinner

Saturday-Conference Schedule

- o 08:30-09:00 Welcome and Keynote Speaker
- 09:00-10:00 Panel:" It's a Family Affair"
- o 10:00-10:30 Break
- o 10:30-12:00 Panel: Family Planning
- o 12:00-01:30 Lunch
- o 01:30-02:15 Newborn Screening
- o 02:15-02:30 Break
- o 02:30-03:15 Breakout Session 1
- o 03:15- 03:30 Break
- o 03:30-04:15 Breakout Session 2
- o 06:00-09:00 Community Dinner
- Sunday-Conference Schedule
- Community Building

Tentative Exhibit Schedule:

- > Thursday
 - > Set up after 4 pm
- > Friday
 - o Exhibits Open 7am-4pm
 - Vendor Breaks
 - **07:00-08:30**
 - **1**0:30-11:00
 - **1**2:00-01:30
 - **02:15-02:45**
 - **•** 04:30-05:30

- > Saturday
 - O Exhibits will be open from 7 am- 7 pm
 - O Vendor Breaks
 - **07:00-08:30**
 - **1**0:00-10:30
 - **1**2:00-01:30
 - **02:15-02:30**
 - **03:15-03:30**
 - **o**6:00-7:00

Exhibitor Layout:

