

# Spring Newsletter



 **HUNTINGTON'S OUTREACH PROJECT  
FOR EDUCATION, AT STANFORD**

JOIN US!

The HOPES Annual Huntington's Disease Conference  
**Saturday, April 23rd, 2016 | Y2E2 Building, Rm 111**  
**Stanford University | 9:30am - 1:00pm**





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9:30-10:00AM

### **BAGELS & COFFEE**

Please come enjoy a complementary breakfast with the HOPES team and conference attendees prior to the presentations

10:00-10:15AM

### **WELCOME & INTRODUCTION**

A brief summary of the day presented by the HOPES team

10:15-10:45AM

### **CLINICAL STUDIES IN HD AT UCSF**

Michael Geschwind, MD | University of California, San Francisco

10:45-11:30AM

### **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION PRESENTATIONS**

Presentations by student and community organizations about how their work in areas such as neuroscience, genetic counseling, and patient advocacy relates to HD

11:30-12:15PM

### **WHY I WRITE: FICTION AS A MEDIUM FOR SCIENCE EDUCATION**

Kate McGovern, B.A., M.S. | Author, Rules for 50/50 Chances

12:15-1:00PM

### **CUEING DEVICES FOR IMPROVING GAIT ABILITY IN PARKINSON'S DISEASE AND OTHER MOTOR DISORDERS**

Areerat Suputtitada, MD | Chulalongkorn University & King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital (Bangkok, Thailand)

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## Seeking *YOUR* Feedback

### Please fill out our HOPES Feedback Form!

We are seeking feedback on our website and operations here at the Huntington's Outreach Project for Education, at Stanford (HOPES) and would love your thoughts!

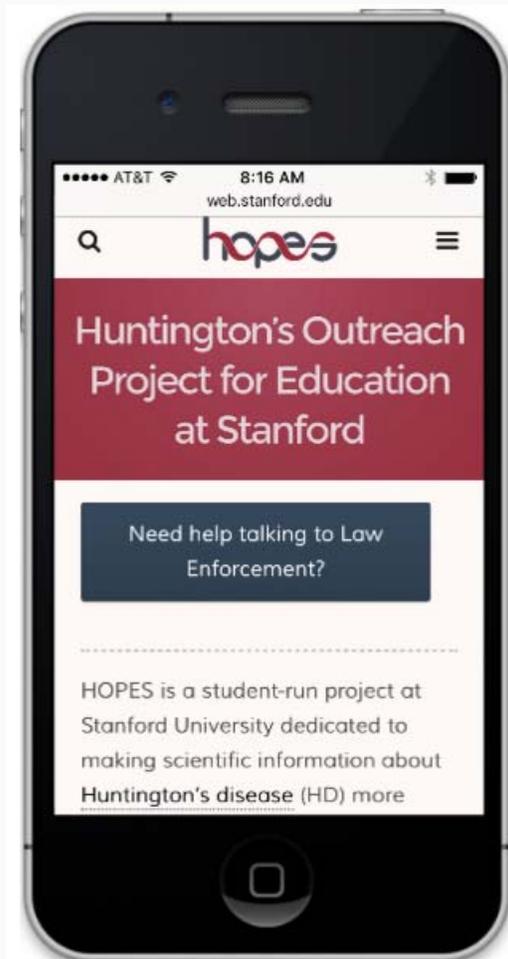
Please take a few, short minutes to fill out our anonymous survey by clicking [HERE.](#)

If you have any questions about our survey, please contact Kristen Powers (kapowers at stanford.edu).

We truly value your thoughts!

## HOPES is now on mobile!

You can now access our website on your phone! Check out the new "Inform Law Enforcement" feature, which helps HD patients and loved ones navigate interactions with police.



## New Article!

Stem Cell Research Provides Insight on HD Development and Potential Therapeutic Targets.

Due to the limitations of animal models, stem cells have offered an opportunity for researchers to ethically and efficiently study disease in human cells. In the paper “Genomic Analysis Reveals Disruption of Striatal Neuronal Development and Therapeutic Targets in Human Huntington’s Disease Neural Stem Cells,” (Ring, 2015) researchers use induced pluripotent stem cells (iPSCs) and differentiated neural stem cells (NSC) in order to explore the role mutant HTT plays in neural development and in producing disease phenotypes.

To read the full article, please click [HERE](#).

HOPES is a team of undergraduate students at Stanford University who, together with faculty advisors, are dedicated to making scientific information about Huntington's disease (HD) more readily accessible to the public. Our goal is to survey the rapidly growing scientific literature on HD and present this information in a web source. We seek to provide information about causes, symptoms, and treatment of HD that reflects current scientific understanding of HD. To date, HOPES resources have reached out to families in over 47 countries.

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