

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS:

Amy Walters Patient Lectureship



Amy Walters has worked in the medical device industry since 1991 (Johnson & Johnson, Smith & Nephew, Biosense Webster, MTI, ev3, Sequent Medical, MicroVention-Terumo). During that time, she led efforts in regulatory affairs, clinical research and quality affairs. She has earned recognition and respect for this work all over the world. She collaborated with and taught neurointerventionalists and clinical trialists in both the United States and Europe. She was the architect of both the Onyx® approval trial and WEB-IT, which resulted in the first ever FDA PMA approval of a device to go into cerebral aneurysms.

Amy suffered a stroke from the sudden occlusion of her left internal carotid artery while she was present at the 2017 SNIS Annual Meeting. With the support of her family (husband Dave and children Zach and Zoe), she has worked hard at recovery and is now living independently. She is an advocate for stroke and aphasia survivors.

In 2019 to honor Amy, the SNIS Foundation and ESMINT established the Amy Walters Patient Lecture to be given twice a year – once at the SNIS Annual Meeting and once at the ESMINT Annual Congress. The purpose of the Amy Walters Patient Lecture is to remind meeting participants of the central importance of patients and their experience.

Nominees should have had a stroke, either hemorrhagic or ischemic, that required neurointervention. Nominations can come from the treating physician or from the patient themselves.

Please submit a brief statement (<1000 words) with background information regarding the patient's experience and/or recovery to Marie Williams at williams@snisonline.org. A speaker will be selected on the basis of his or her ability to bring perspective and education to conference attendees. Nominees are discouraged from lionizing the treating team or promoting any particular treatment method or devices. Please be sure to indicate if you are applying for the lecture at the SNIS Annual Meeting or the ESMINT Annual Congress.

A travel stipend is included with the award for the patient and one guest (spouse, caregiver, significant other, child, etc.).

**Deadline for the SNIS Annual Meeting is
April 30, 2021**

**Deadline for the ESMINT Annual Congress
is June 11, 2021**