

PDNSA Conference 2026 Agenda

Beyond Tremor and Movement: Managing the hidden side of Parkinson's

Thursday
22nd October
2026 (Day 1)

09:15 **Registration open**

09:50 **PDNSA Chair's welcome**

10:00 **Keynote Speaker- Non Oral Therapies and Non-motor Symptoms in Parkinson's**

Dr Amrit Samra, Consultant Neurologist,
University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust

11:00 **Break and stand viewing**

11:30 **Bladder Dysfunction in Parkinson's Disorders: mechanisms and management (virtual)**

Dr Matthew Smith, Consultant Neurologist,
North Bristol NHS Trust

12:20 **Symposia 1 - Zambon**

13:05 **Lunch and stand viewing**

14:05 **Understanding and Managing Apathy: dopamine, motivation and brain chemistry**

Rebecca Williams, PhD Student, University of Cambridge

14:55 **Symposia 2 - Merz**

15:40: **Break and stand viewing**

16:00 **Africa - making a difference**

Prof Richard Walker, Consultant Physician, Northumbria Healthcare
NHS Foundation Trust and Honorary Professor of Ageing and
International Health, Newcastle University

17:00 **Round up and close**

18.30: **Pre Dinner Guest Speaker**

19.30: **Dinner**



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08:30 **Chair's welcome**

08:35 **Navigating the Complexities of Sexual Dysfunction and Intimacy**

Miriam Parry, Parkinson's Disease Nurse Consultant, King's College Hospital NHS Trust

09:15: **Symposia 3- Bial**

10:00: **Break and stand viewing**

10:30 **Keynote Speaker - Autonomic Dysfunction in Parkinson's disease: from pathophysiology to management strategies**

Dr Claire McDonald, Senior Clinical Lecturer, Newcastle University and Honorary Consultant Geriatrician, Gateshead NHS Foundation Trust.

11:30 **Symposia 4 - Abbvie**

12:15 **Symposia 5 - Britannia**

13:00 **Lunch and stand viewing**

14:00 **Supporting People with Cognitive and Neuropsychiatric Symptoms and their families to live as well as possible**

Rachel Thompson, Consultant Admiral Nurse, Lewy Body Dementia

14.40 **Parkinson's UK Update**

Katherine French, Head of Service Improvement and Grants.

15:10 **Round up and close**

15:15 **AGM**



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