

NOAH 2012

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NOAH's 14th National Conference

July 12 - 15, 2012
Millennium Hotel St. Louis
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**Registration packets will be mailed
to members in March 2012.**

Registration Fees:

Early bird rates begin at \$165 for members ages 5 and up; \$85 for children ages 6 months to 4 years.

The Conference Hotel

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Located in the heart of downtown on the banks of the Mississippi River, Millennium Hotel St. Louis is an excellent conference venue. Many entertainment and dining options are a short distance from the hotel as well as access to all the best attractions in St. Louis including the signature landmark, the Gateway Arch, the Old Courthouse, Busch Stadium and the Old Cathedral.

Room Rate

\$125* per night single-quad Tuesday, July 10th to Monday, July 16th

\$189* per night one-bedroom suites Tuesday, July 10th to Monday, July 16th * Plus tax

Reservations

Call 1-800-325-7353 no later than June 11, 2012, or reserve your room online at www.millenniumhotels.com/millenniumstlouis.

Personal Grants Available! If you think that going to a NOAH conference is beyond your means, we may be able to help. Through the generous donations of NOAH members and the money from fundraising events such as the bowl-a-thon, a limited amount of funds will be available to assist members in attending the NOAH conference. For information about the personal grant application, please go to www.albinism.org or call **1-800-473-2310**.

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At NOAH conferences, lives are touched, people are changed and there is a sense of renewal!
How will the conference affect you?



There's something for every member of the albinism community at a NOAH Conference:

World's most comprehensive collection of educational sessions on albinism including:

- Research, science and medicine
- Living with albinism
- Social skills/self esteem
- Low vision
- Careers
- Parenting a child with albinism
- Educating a child with albinism
- Albinism and society

Professional child care for pre-schoolers

Programs designed for school-aged children that create a safe, comfortable, age-appropriate and engaging experience for young people.

Making connections and building community through:

- Discussion groups
- Organized social gatherings
- Networking opportunities
- Workshops

New in 2012

- Sessions for grandparents
- Programs for 18–21 year olds

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Don't take our word for it. Here's what past NOAH conference attendees have said about their experience.

The Albinism Family

"It was gratifying to see children with their parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and siblings. Albinism is a family affair. Their lives were enriched because they discovered and affirmed their albinism as children rather than as adults. NOAH makes a difference!"

Other Kids Like Me

"Before I went to a conference, I thought I was the only kid besides my friend Aidan, who had albinism. Now I know I'm not alone. I look forward to meetings so I can see people like me – it's when I feel normal."

A Conference Designed for Me

"For the first time in my life, I can attend a conference that is designed in every way to ensure that I have a great experience. It is not expected that I can see well, or that I can drive, or that I can easily navigate the city. Name tags are written in GIANT letters. Assistance is everywhere. Understanding is everywhere. A strong sense of community is everywhere."

Powerful Emotions & Friendships

"It was so wonderful to finally meet the friends that have been our support system since my son was diagnosed. There is nothing as comforting as being surrounded by people who understand what you are going through. We will cherish these memories forever."

Tools for School Success

"I learned soooooo much and I can't wait to explain it to his teachers! Now I can help him be successful in everything he wishes to do."

A Glimpse into the Future

"It was amazing hearing about the jobs adults with albinism have and seeing teenagers so comfortable with who they are. I feel like I got a look into my son's future... and it was so very bright. The conference really was an amazing experience!"