October Issue of Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Dedicated to SCI Model Systems Research
The October issue of the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation will be dedicated entirely to research from the Spinal Cord Injury Model Systems (SCIMS). It is the continuation of collaborative efforts among SCIMS investigators that previously produced the special issues of the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation in 2011, 2004, and 1999; a book in 1995; and a national consensus conference and proceedings in 1990. The collection of 27 articles in the October 2016 issue shows the depth and breadth of work conducted by SCIMS investigators, from epidemiology to randomized controlled trials, from descriptive analysis to artificial neural networks methodology, from neurologic classification to community integration, and from health services research to assistive technology for mobility. These articles provide just a sample of current SCIMS research. The 46-year history of investment by NIDILRR in SCI research is reflected in the spectrum of study methodology and topical foci. Access the issue here.

September is National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month
Congress has designated September as National Spinal Cord Injury Awareness Month! Help raise awareness of resources that support individuals living with SCI by sharing factsheets, videos, and other products made available through the MSKTC. Access these resources here.

SCI Model System Researchers present at National and International Conferences
A host of researchers from the University of Michigan Spinal Cord Injury Model System (UMSCIMS) recently presented at two conferences. Denise Tate, Ph.D. led a symposium at the International Spinal Cord Society (ISCoS) Meeting, held September 14-16, 2016 in Vienna, Austria. Her talk was entitled, “The Quality of Life Basic Data Set: Development, Psychometric Analysis and Recommendations.” Dr. Tate also presented a poster at the ISCoS meeting, entitled, “Complications of Neurogenic Bowel and Bladder Among Veterans and Civilians with Spinal Cord Injury.” Michelle Meade, Ph.D. presented at a plenary session of the Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) Summit in Orlando, FL, held August 30-September 1. Her talk was entitled, “Translating Research Findings to Facilitate Successful Adjustment to Spinal Cord Injury.” Martin Forchheimer, M.P.P. also gave a platform presentation at the PVA Summit, entitled “Patient-Provider Relationship: Associations with Clinician Type, Demographics and Other Factors.”

SCI Model System Researcher presents at International Spinal Cord Society Annual Scientific Meeting
Allen Heinemann, Ph.D. of Midwest Regional Spinal Cord Injury Care System (MRSCIS) gave a poster presentation of the study, “Predictors of Life Satisfaction in Persons with Spinal Cord Injury” at the International Spinal Cord Society Annual Scientific in Meeting held in Vienna, Austria, September 14-16, 2016.
SCI Model System Researcher Delivers Lecture at Academy of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals Conference
Northwest Regional Spinal Cord Injury System (NWRSCIS) principal investigator Charles Bombardier, Ph.D. was chosen to deliver the Essie Morgan lecture at the Academy of Spinal Cord Injury Professionals (ASCIP) conference held September 4–7, 2016 in Nashville, TN. Dr. Bombardier’s lecture was entitled “Envisioning Precision Mental Health Treatment for People with SCI.”

SCI Model System Center Posts SCI Forum Series Video
The Northwest Regional Spinal Cord Injury System (NWRSCIS) posted “Up, Up and Away: Spinal Cord Injury and Travel,” the latest video in the SCI Forum video series. Four intrepid travelers with SCI share their stories of traveling the world as wheelchair users. They discuss finding and booking accessible accommodations, dealing with airlines, deciding what to pack and what to carry, and more. Watch the video here.

==========Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) ====

TBI Model System Researchers Collaborate on Article Published in Brain Injury

World Congress on Brain Injury Call for Abstracts
The Call for Abstracts for the International Brain Injury World Congress 2017 is now open. The deadline to submit abstracts is November 7, 2016. For more information, click here.

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Burn Model System Researchers to Lead Workshop at Phoenix World Burn Congress

Burn Model System Researcher to Present at Phoenix World Burn Congress
Shelley Wiechman, Ph.D. of the Northwest Regional Burn Model System (NWRBMS) will facilitate an interactive workshop at the Phoenix World Burn Congress on October 21, 2016. The workshop is aimed at building resiliency in burn survivors. Dr. Wiechman will draw on the field of performance enhancement that elite athletes use. Workshop participants will learn practical steps for nurturing resiliency and achieving a peak performance in life that is consistent with their personal values and goals.
Upcoming Events

Oct 19-22, 2016  Phoenix World Burn Congress
Oct 30- Nov 4, 2016  93rd Annual American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Conference
November 12-16, 2016  Society for Neuroscience 46th Annual Meeting