

WNPA sponsored Midwest Regional Lyme Conference
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SPEAKERS BIOS

Dr. Wayne Anderson, ND

Wayne Anderson ND has 30 years experience as a clinician in general practice. He practiced in an active family practice center specializing in integrated medical care. Over time he developed specialties in the management of chronic illness with a focus on Lyme disease and Neurotoxin Illness. This broad base of clinical experience has informed his interest in teaching.

In 1973, Dr. Anderson graduated from Southern Illinois University with a B.A. in Special Education. He later returned to school where he graduated in 1981 from the National College of Naturopathic Medicine. Seeking to further broaden his scope of assessment and treatment, Wayne returned to school, graduating in 1986 from the University of California, Davis Physician Assistant Program.

For the next 20 years, Wayne practiced in a busy community-based family medicine center, working with individuals and families, from birth to old age, with an emphasis on patients with chronic illness. In 1992, Wayne became aware of the prevalence of chronic Lyme disease and related infections. Over the last 15 years he has had extensive experience in the role of infection diseases in chronic illness. Working at Gordon Medical Associates he shifted his focus from family practice to the interrelationship of infectious disease with the nervous, immune, and endocrine systems. His focus in treatment has always been using both conventional and integrative medicine approaches.

In the last year Dr. Anderson has coordinated an internship program with the help of Beth McDougall MD and the staff at the Clear Center of Health. Wayne is also a popular and sought-after speaker on the topics of Lyme disease, Neurotoxin Illness and the integrated medical approach in chronic illness.

James Bowman, Allgemeine Medizin (family medicine and internal medicine)

James Bowman began his academic training in science and medicine at the premier university based medical college in Germany, the Freie Univerisitat, Berlin (the Free University of West Berlin). He completed the 6-year medical curriculum in 2.5 years but remained some years longer to earn his credentials in nauropathic medicine, homeopathy, detoxification thereapy, enzyme therapy, nutrition, and stress management. Following this German model of health care, the services offered at his clinic are from a strictly natural perspective. In German, the degree is called "Allgemeine Medizin," translated into English as a combination of family medicine and internal medicine.

James is the founder of alternative Health Concepts, A European Method of Healthcare, in Steven's Point, Wisconsin. It is a fully functional family health care clinic providing services to newborns through seniors. His approach to health and healing is based on the European (German) model of health. In Germany, doctors are trained to look for the true underlying and contributing causes of health problems, and to provide safe, effective methods to promote healing and restoration.

In Lyme's work, he uses adjuncts to it, but the main approach is the Cowden method.

Robin DiPasquale, ND

Robin DiPasquale, ND, RH (AHG) earned her degree in naturopathic medicine from Bastyr University where upon graduation, Dr. DiPasquale became a member of both the didactic and clinical faculty. For thirteen years, she served the university, eight of those years as department chair of botanical medicine, teaching and administering to both the naturopathic medicine program and the bachelor's of science in herbal sciences program. She continues to teach at Bastyr as a visiting Adjunct Faculty, as well as a position as Affiliate Faculty in the department of biobehavioral nursing and health systems at the University of Washington in the CAM certificate program. Robin teaches Gemmotherapy courses, both on-line and on-site, and continues to take students to Italy each year to study herbal medicine through the senses of the Italian culture.

Dr. DiPasquale, holds an active ND license in Washington state, has been in practice for seventeen years, and currently practices general naturopathic medicine at Red Lotus Healing Arts and at the University of Wisconsin Integrative Medicine program in Madison, Wisconsin. Since moving to Wisconsin 4 years ago, she has been able to apply herbal medicine, gemmotherapy, homeopathy, and an overall understanding of nutrition and lifestyle, to chronic disease, including Lyme Disease. Plant medicine is physical, emotional, and energetic, gemmotherapy encompasses the embryonic essences of rejuvenation and regeneration, and homeopathy works on the vibrational level, repatterning and reorganizing...working toward what we are just beginning to understand as healing.

Jill Evenson, ND

Dr. Jill Evenson completed her training at the National College of Natural Medicine in Portland, Oregon in 2003. She initially started the Naturopathic Family Clinic in Janesville, and later the Center for Natural Medicine in Middleton. In private practice, her clinical experience has developed in chronic and infectious disease, chronic pain syndromes, endocrinology, and pediatrics. Her passion is plant medicine as it relates to human biology. Discovery of unique human biologies has further fueled an interest in environmental medicine, and the environment's impact on vital living systems. Naturally, Lyme's disease, being the culmination of body balancing, reducing environmental burdens, and chronic infectious disease, has become her focus. Although a beginner in the field of Tick-borne Illnesses, she is grateful for this opportunity to share her observations.

Tom Grier

Researcher in the field of chronic Lyme and TBDs with microbiology background
Tom Grier has a background in clinical microbiology/immunology. He took the first two years of medical school at UMD Duluth 1977-1979 and worked on two vaccines. He transferred to a graduate program in geriatrics at Washington State University. He then worked at the McChord Airforce Base on a grant from Nasa on osteoporosis (looking at osteoblast stimulation of osteoid). He then went to work in the pharmaceutical industry until 1991 when he was misdiagnosed with MS and was disabled. He could not drive for 5 years. He currently work as director of MIBDEC, an organization trying to register dementia and MS patients for brain autopsies. He has prepared legal cases for attorneys, patients and physicians for background in court cases. In 1994 he designed and implemented a 26 patient MS antibiotic treatment study in MN, with nearly identical results as a similar study by Dr Patricia Coyle MD PhD at Stonybrook two years later. He has also tested several times the efficacy of dozens of Colloidal Silver preparations.

Rebecca Keith, FNP -C

Rebecca Keith, FNP-C has been treating people with Lyme disease and other tick borne infections for 3 ½ years. She has trained with Dr. John Gregory Hoffman and worked with him for nearly 2 years. She also trained with Dr Charles Crist in Missouri in 2010, and most recently with Dr. Charles Ray Jones, pediatrician, for 6 days this past October. She is a member of ILAD S and has attended the annual conferences in 2009, 2010, and 2011. Rebecca has a private practice in Cable, WI. Prior to treating people with Tick borne diseases (TBD) her focus included children on the Autistic spectrum: ADD, ADHD, Aspergers, Autism , OCD and has worked with children with PANDAS.

Rebecca graduated with both under-grad and graduate degrees from the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, MN. She is a Family Nurse Practitioner and is Board Certified. She has been in nursing since 1983!

Sirid Kellermann, PhD, MBA

Sirid Kellermann is Executive Vice President at NeuroScience, Inc. She has a Ph.D. in cellular and molecular immunology, and an MBA in sustainable business management. Prior to joining the company, she spent thirteen years in the San Francisco Bay Area biotechnology industry researching and developing solutions for immunological and other disorders. Her background provides her with an appreciation for systems biology and the complex interplay of the neurological, immunological, and endocrine systems that forms the basis for NeuroScience, Inc.'s philosophy regarding testing and treatment of human disorders. She is passionate about applying a customer-oriented perspective to improving human health effectively, safely, and affordably.

Elizabeth Maloney, MD –

Elizabeth Maloney, MD is a family physician from Wyoming, MN. She graduated from the University of MN Medical School and completed her residency in family medicine at the University; she has been a family physician for 21years. Dr. Maloney develops accredited, evidence-based CME courses on Lyme disease for physicians and other healthcare professionals.

In 2011, her article on the management of tick bites was published in the Wisconsin Medical Journal and she spoke at Columbia University's annual Lyme research conference.

Dr. Maloney is the medical advisor of the Minnesota Lyme Association. She frequently speaks to the public on Lyme disease and she creates educational materials which explain the science of Lyme disease in everyday terms.

Mike Nickel

President, WI. Lyme Network {Statewide 501 c3 of Lyme Education}, Moderator of Wisconsin Lyme Yahoo

Mike Nickel is a father of a son with a serious case of Lyme and Tick Borne Diseases (TBDs) who recovered. He has been actively involved in research of Lyme and TBDs for 8 years AND has assisted thousands of Lyme patients with their treatments and finding appropriate care and continues to do so. He is intricately involved with nationwide support groups, research, activism and education of Lyme and TBD's

Susan B. Rohr BSN, RN

Susan Rohr, BSN, RN graduated from Viterbo University Lacrosse, WI in 1985. Susan's clinical work experience includes being an Intermediate care nurse at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, adult telemetry relief charge nurse at Scripps Memorial Hospital in LaJolla, California, HIV/infectious disease adult and pediatric case manager in San Diego, California and Director of Nursing Education in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She has also been owner for 14 years of Environmental Consulting Company and owner and case supervisor for a private homecare case management agency.

Susan is currently working in an integrative family wellness center as a certified OndaMed practitioner with a 95% Lyme based practice. Her personal experience with Lyme and autoimmune disease supports a deep understanding on how pulsed electromagnetic frequencies affects and benefits the Lyme afflicted body.

Kim E Saxe, ND

Dr. Saxe attended Naturopathic medical school at National College of Naturopathic Medicine in Portland, OR and received her undergraduate degree from University of Wisconsin, Madison. She has been practicing as a naturopathic physician in private practice since 2002. For her first several years of practice she had focused on all primary care issues including digestive health, endocrine dysfunction, neurotransmitter imbalances causing conditions such as depression and anxiety, acute and chronic infections. Additionally, she has a background in environmental medicine such as toxic metal detoxification. In more recent years her practice has evolved into a specialty in the treatment of chronic Lyme disease and related illnesses, chronic infections and other neurotoxin-related disorders such as mold-related illnesses, chronic fatigue, fibromyalgia, arthritis, multiple sclerosis, ALS and many other manifestations of these underlying illnesses. Dr. Saxe had undergone her own personal experience with the challenges of Lyme and related

infections and learned firsthand the complexity of the illness when antibiotic therapy did not give the desired results when used alone.

Leslie Vilensky, ND

Leslie earned her B.A. in Philosophy from The College of St. Catherine in St. Paul, MN and her Doctorate of Naturopathic Medicine from Bastyr University in Seattle, WA. Leslie is Board Certified by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners and is currently licensed as a family practice physician in Washington State and is registered in the state of Minnesota. Leslie has practiced naturopathic medicine for over a decade in Minnesota where she provides her patients with personalized and comprehensive natural approaches to their healthcare needs.

Leslie has been an active member of the American Association of Naturopathic Physicians (AANP) and serves as President of and liaison for its affiliate state organization, the Minnesota Association of Naturopathic Physicians. In August 2009, she was appointed to the Minnesota Naturopathic Advisory Council, part of the Board of Medical Practice, which oversees the practice of naturopathic medicine in Minnesota.

In early 2009, Leslie participated in the International Lyme and Associated Disease Society's (ILAD's) Physician Training Program, completing a clinical rotation with Dr. Bernard Raxlen, MD at Lyme Resource Medical in New York City. She has continued to focus her work with patients on an integrative approach to treating Lyme and other tick-borne illnesses both in her Minnesota practice and in collaboration with Dr. Raxlen in New York.