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**NSCFF Awarded PASS Program Grant from  
National Parkinson Foundation**

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Neuroscience Centers of Florida Foundation (NSCFF) was recently awarded a \$25,000 grant from the National Parkinson Foundation (NPF) a first time award for NSCFF, which will establish the Parkinson Access to Specialty Services (PASS) program in Miami-Dade County. The grant will service individuals diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease as well as those that are recipients of Medicaid, Obamacare, and the uninsured.

The PASS program will offer Lee Silverman Voice Treatment (LSVT) based courses; LSVT-LOUD course and LSVT-BIG course. LSVT-BIG focuses on maximum sustained movements, repetitive/directional movements, and functional component movements (physical & occupational therapy). LSVT-LOUD is designed to improve oral and motor coordination (speech therapy).

In addition, identification of all Physical Therapy (PT) and Occupational Therapy (OT) providers offering LSVT throughout the County will be created to allow anyone with Parkinson’s to access PT/OT services within 15 minutes of their home. “My team and I sought out this grant to meet an unmet need in our community in order to offer an enhanced network of care. This grant will enable NSCFF to create better access to essential therapy; we’re honored that the National Parkinson Foundation has chosen NSCFF,” said Jeffrey Horstmyer, MD, FAAN – Chief Executive Officer. For more information on the grant and when classes will commence please contact Oylime Fernandez at 305-856-8940, ext. 104.

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**About Neuroscience Centers of Florida Foundation:** The Neuroscience Centers of Florida Foundation, Inc. (NSCFF) is an IRS designated, 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, established to improve healthcare delivery and address the unmet needs of patients afflicted with chronic neurological degenerative diseases concentrating on Alzheimer’s Disease, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson’s, and Stroke. Our organization’s comprehensive team approach to care is uniquely poised to answer to a patient’s medical and non-medical issues. As a comprehensive care organization, NSCFF aims to provide diagnosis, treatment, disease management, support services, and education to patients and their caregivers to keep patients at home, at work, and out of the hospital.

Through our network of stakeholders and supporters, our focus on collaboration has enhanced access to already proven methods of treatment while we implement innovative concepts to patient centered, disease specific, comprehensive, and coordinated healthcare delivery in our community.

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