



Coeur d'Alene
PARKINSON'S
Support Group

We provide hope, education, and connection with others traveling the same path.

To Whom it May Concern:

The Coeur d'Alene Parkinson's Support Group is honored to invite everyone directly or indirectly affected by Parkinson's to join us on September 7, 2023, to a free special event. The Michael J. Fox Foundation is sending two representatives to speak at our September support group meeting. Please see attached flyer for details. Please copy and distribute to anyone you think might be interested.

The speakers are Mark Frasier, PhD, Chief Scientific Officer and Jennifer Riedel, Senior Associate Director from The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research. Please see their attached biographies.

They will present on the following topics.

- An overview of MJFF's mission to end Parkinson's disease
- An update on promising PD research, including information about the landmark PD biomarker
- An update on the latest treatments and therapies for PD
- Information on how to get involved in clinical research, advocacy, and community events

There will be a Q & A with the opportunity to get answers to your questions.

The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research is dedicated to finding a cure for Parkinson's disease through an aggressively funded research agenda and to ensuring the development of improved therapies for those living with Parkinson's today.

To date, the foundation has funded more than \$2 billion in research to bring an end to Parkinson's disease. For more information, visit www.michaeljfox.org

Coeur d'Alene Parkinson's Support Group wishes to thank Rick and Barb Howell for arranging this Special No Charge Event with the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

Sincerely,

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The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research *Special Event*



Sponsored by the Coeur d'Alene Parkinson's Support Group

Date: September 7, 2023

Time: 1:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M.

Place: Red Lion Hotel

Templins on the Water

414 E. 1st St.

Post Falls. ID 83854

Speakers

- **Mark Frazier, PhD**
Chief Scientific Officer
- **Jennifer Riedel**
Senior Associate Director

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Presentation Includes:

- An overview of the foundation's mission to end Parkinson's disease
- An update on promising Parkinson's research, including info on the newly discovered PD biomarker
- Information on how to get involved with clinical research, advocacy and community events

→ There will be a question and answer opportunity.

→ The Red Lion Hotel is offering special rates if accommodation is needed.

→ This event is free and open to anyone directly affected by Parkinson's.

The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research

Special Event Biographies

Mark Frasier, PhD

Chief Scientific Officer • Research Programs

Mark Frasier joined the Foundation in 2006. As Chief Scientific Officer, Mark co-manages a team of research professionals who stay closely linked to the Parkinson's research community in order to develop an aggressive and innovative agenda for accelerating research and drug development for Parkinson's disease. This ensures that MJFF research priorities reflect and best serve the ultimate needs of patients.

Mark regularly meets with academic scientists and industry researchers around the world to identify promising proposals to support, providing troubleshooting and ongoing management of projects as they go forward. He also supports the Foundation's priority interest in developing biomarkers for Parkinson's disease that will accelerate clinical trials of new drugs.

Dr. Frasier earned an undergraduate degree in Biochemistry from the University of Dayton and a PhD in Pharmacology from Loyola University Chicago. He completed his postdoctoral work in the Neuroscience Discovery Research Group at Eli Lilly, Inc., in Indianapolis, Indiana, where he worked on drug-discovery research in Parkinson's and Alzheimer's disease.

Mark is passionate about the Foundation's ability to problem solve, convene, and ultimately accelerate new therapies for Parkinson's disease. In addition to his work as a Foundation scientist, Mark has been a Team Fox member, running the New York ING Marathon and playing golf to raise critical funds for research.

Jennifer Riedel

Senior Associate Director • Advancement

Jennifer joined The Michael J. Fox Foundation in January 2017. As Associate Director of Advancement, Jennifer develops and implements strategies to engage the broader community in our mission to speed a cure, helping ensure that the Foundation raises sufficient dollars to fund its ambitious research agenda.

She regularly speaks on the Foundation's activities at support groups and conferences, as well as meeting one-on-one with patients, caregivers, donors and other MJFF constituents and stakeholders in the Western Region of the U.S.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Jennifer worked in political fundraising on state-wide, local, and federal campaigns. Jennifer graduated from the University of Virginia with a BA in Foreign Affairs and French.