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**Encephalitis
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The brain inflammation non-profit

Encephalitis: My Brain and Medicine

Encephalitis survivors and caregivers day

26 SEPTEMBER 2025 (1.30-6.00PM EDT);
NEW YORK-PRESBYTERIAN/COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
IRVING MEDICAL CENTER
IN-PERSON EVENT

The event will finish with a drinks and nibbles reception. Please join to learn more about encephalitis and its after-effects and connect with professionals and other people with similar experiences.

Event Scientific Committee:

Dr Ava Easton, Encephalitis International; Assoc Prof Kiran Thakur and Assist Prof Sarah Flanagan Wesley, Columbia University

To book your FREE place, please visit:

www.encephalitis.info/event/my-brain-medicine-new-york-united-states



COLUMBIA

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF NEUROLOGY

Event organised in collaboration with Department of Neurology at Columbia University's Vagelos College of Physicians and Surgeons, at New York-Presbyterian/Columbia University Irving Medical Center, New York, USA

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Encephalitis: My Brain and Medicine Programme

SESSION 1: An overview of encephalitis and lived experience

- 14:00 **Welcome address**
- 14.05 **Overview of infectious encephalitis**
Assoc Prof Kiran Thakur
Columbia University Irving Medical Center
- 14.20 **Q&A**
- 14.25 **Overview of autoimmune encephalitis**
Assist Prof Sarah Flanagan Wesley
Columbia University Irving Medical Center
- 14.40 **Q&A**
- 14.45 **Encephalitis in children**
Dr Molly Wilson-Murphy
Boston Children's Hospital
- 15.00 **Q&A**
- 15.05 **Lived experience** – Jim Cooper (Infectious encephalitis)
- 15.15 **Q&A**
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- 15.20 **BREAK**

SESSION 2: Rehabilitation following encephalitis and lived experience

- 15.55 **Rehabilitation following encephalitis**
Assist Prof Akin Beckley
Columbia University Irving Medical Center
- 16.05 **Seizure management in encephalitis**
Dr Claude Steriade
NYU Langone's Comprehensive Epilepsy Center
- 16.15 **Psychiatric management in encephalitis**
Prof Steven Kushner
Stavros Niarchos Foundation (SNF) Center for Precision Psychiatry & Mental Health – New York Presbyterian / Columbia University Irving Medical Center
- 16.25 **Panel Q&A**
- 16.40 **Lived experience** – Rachael Muggleton (Autoimmune encephalitis)
- 16.50 **Q&A**
- 16.55 **Dr Ava Easton, Chief Executive** – Encephalitis International
- 17.00 **Closing address**
- 17.05 **Drinks and nibbles reception**



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