The Mary and Jim White Unit for the Care of People with Huntington’s Disease at ArchCare at Terence Cardinal Cooke Health Care Center provides exceptional care focused on enhancing the quality of life and self-esteem of residents with this degenerative neurological disorder. The largest and one of just a few dedicated HD programs in the United States, the 48-bed unit is a recognized leader in managing the physical, emotional and other challenges of this unique population, and works in collaboration with the Mount Sinai Movement Disorders Clinic and the HD Center at Columbia University.

Each resident is cared for by an interdisciplinary team led by a physician who specializes in HD. Psychiatric and behavior management services are available 24 hours a day, and state-of-the-art technology and architectural features ensure safety and comfort. A host of supportive services are also available for caregivers and family members who are affected by and may be at risk of HD themselves.

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New York City
Family Education Day
Sunday, October 4, 2015
12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Terence Cardinal Cooke
1249 Fifth Avenue, NY, NY 10029
1st floor
(Entrance located at corner of East 106th and 5th Avenue)
Columbia University’s HDSA Center of Excellence opened in 1991. Back then, we provided care for approximately 20 patients and families in the tri-state area. This past year, the Center provided services to approximately 240 patients and families. The Center continues to operate a weekly outpatient clinic, free of charge, every Friday, from 8:00 am – 3 pm at the New York State Psychiatric.

On a national level, we have been recognized both for comprehensive clinical care and research endeavors. The Center received the Ruby and Joe Horansky Award for exemplary patient care in 1995, and in 1999, we were among the first four centers in the US to be designated as a Center of Excellence by the Huntington Disease Society of America. Since then, we have often served as the gold standard of multidisciplinary care and have hosted practitioners from around the world to convey our model for delivering the highest quality in clinical care.

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AGENDA

12:30-12:45 PM  Registration, Meet and Greet
(light refreshments)

12:45 pm – 1:00 pm  Welcome
Deborah Thorne, LCSW

1:00 pm -1:25 pm  HD Research Update
Karen Marder, MD, MPH
Columbia University HDSA COE

1:25 pm – 1:50 pm  Occupational & Physical Therapy in HD
Ashwini K. Rao, EdD
Lori Quinn, EdD
Columbia University HDSA COE

1:50 pm – 2:00 pm  BREAK

2:00 pm – 2:25 pm  Talking to Children About HD
Deborah Thorne, LCSW
Columbia University HDSA COE

2:25 pm – 2:50 pm  NY Vital Access Provider
Grant Update
Anthony Lechich, MD
Terrence Cardinal Cooke – HD Unit

2:50 pm – 3:20 pm  Q & A with HD Professionals
Moderator: Jeanne Thomson, SLP

3:20 pm – 3:30 pm  Wrap Up and Evaluation