



DEAR DR. _____,

On behalf of the HS Foundation, we'd like to take this opportunity to introduce you to a novel peer-to-peer support service for patients with Hidradenitis Suppurativa called the HS Buddy Program.

The purpose of the HS Buddy Program is to connect patients diagnosed with Hidradenitis Suppurative who are interested in clinical trial participation or are currently participating in a clinical trial with a "buddy" who can help navigate decisions and challenges specific to trial involvement. This access to a peer mentor brings together people with shared experiences to learn from and support each other, providing a space where people living with HS feel more supported and informed of the clinical trial process. At this time, the HS Buddy program is only available in the US.

The Buddies do not provide medical advice or trial-specific information; however, they can share their clinical trial experience, answer general questions surrounding what clinical trial participation means, and provide additional resources to ensure participants are well informed and confident in their decision to consider a clinical trial.

If you have patients who you believe would be interested in participating in this program, either as a Buddy or as a mentee, please refer them to www.hs BuddIES.org.

If you have any questions about the HS Buddy Program, please contact us at questions@hs BuddIES.org.

KIND REGARDS,



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