

# AHEAD OF THE CURVE

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## POWER OVER SCOLIOSIS & GIVE BACKS HOPE SAW THE MAGIC IN MIAMI



In June, our second annual patient education course and scoliosis awareness soirée invaded Miami, and we felt the heat of the city and the warmth in the hearts of Florida's scoliosis community!

Nicklaus Children's Hospital welcomed **Power Over Scoliosis** with open arms, and the patient panelists and

guest speakers stole the show! SSS celebrity spokeswoman, Lindsay Ellingson, shared her story at the education course and turned fellow scoliosis patients, who before had only been her admirers, into fast friends with her down to earth style!

At **Give Backs Hope**, patient mom and event chair, Theresa Haskett, along with her incredible events committee, helped turn an empty ballroom at the Biltmore Hotel into a lively affair in honor of Dr. Harry Shufflebarger. Scores of patients took to the stage to recognize the man who gave them hope and the ability to live amazing lives that couldn't be stopped by scoliosis! We want to thank everyone who participated in making this event such a huge success. Triumph was in the air, and on this night, Miami was full of magic!



**In 2018, we are bringing Power Over Scoliosis to the west coast! So pack your bags and book your flights! Next year's events are coming to... SAN DIEGO!**



Chad Biro shared his story and told jokes that made us all laugh



Lindsay Ellingson posing with Eve Moll



Dr. Shufflebarger was the night's guest of honor



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## SITE HIGHLIGHT: BOSTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IS ON BOARD!

Boston Children's Hospital isn't new to research, but they are one of the newest additions to the Harms Study Group, so an introduction is in order! Led by Dr. Michael Glotzbecker, who has 13 years of experience in treating spinal deformities and a total of 16 areas of expertise, the Boston team is contributing to our Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis and our Cerebral Palsy Scoliosis studies.

We know this is going to be an amazing collaboration, but we'll let Dr. Glotzbecker tell you why he values being a part of the Harms Study Group in his own words:

"At Boston Children's Hospital, we are highly invested in the improvement of spine care. We have always respected the quality of work that has come as a result of the collaboration within the Harms Study Group. We were excited at the opportunity to join thought leaders in the spinal deformity world who have similar goals to ours. We believe that we can make a meaningful contribution to the group, while at the same time learning from other members, all of which will improve the care of our patients."



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**DON'T FORGET!** As a patient volunteer for the Harms Study Group, your continued help is essential. Please remember to make all of your scheduled follow-up appointments with your spine surgeon.

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