

Behçet's 2026 Conference & AGM Programme

09:30: Registration & refreshments *(for those attending in Nottingham)*

10:30: Welcome

WELCOME: Tony Thornburn – *Chair, Behçet's UK*

PATRON WELCOME: Baroness Ritchie of Downpatrick – *Patron, Behçet's UK*

10:40: AGM 2026

REPORT FROM THE CHAIR: Tony Thornburn

TREASURER'S REPORT: Alan Lane – *Honorary Treasurer*

FUNDRAISING: Rachael Humphreys – *Trustee*

BEHÇET'S UK MEMBERS AWARD: Tony Thornburn

THE JUDITH BUCKLE AWARD: Rachael Humphreys

AOB: Questions from members

11:30: Break

11:45: Conference 2026 – Morning Session *Introduced by Rachael Humphreys*

11:45: EPIDEMIOLOGY & THE PATIENT REGISTRY

Dr Situnayake – *Consultant Rheumatologist & Clinical Lead at Birmingham Centre of Excellence*

12:05: BEHÇET'S PATIENT REGISTRY

Dr Megan Rutter – *Consultant Rheumatologist*

12:25: BEHÇET'S: A PATIENT'S JOURNEY

Daisy M – *Behçet's Patient*

12:45: Lunch

13:45: Conference 2026 – Afternoon Session 1 *Introduced by Rachael Humphreys*

13:45: WHERE IS THE ACTION IN BEHÇET'S? A NEW THEORY OF EVERYTHING

Dr Situnayake & Dr Graham Wallace – *Associate Professor University of Birmingham*

14:10: BEHÇET'S CENTRES AND THE HOLISTIC SUPPORT MODEL

Rebecca Hyder – *Support Co-ordinator*

14:25: WELLBEING IN CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE WITH BEHÇET'S

Dr Laura Forrest – *Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist*

14:45: Break

15:00: Conference 2026 – Afternoon Session 2 *Introduced by Rachael Humphreys*

15:00: OCULAR SYMPTOMS AND FLARES

Mr Sree Sreekantam – *Consultant Ophthalmologist*

15:20: THE CNS ROLE AND MONITORING OF IMMUNOSUPPRESSANTS

Carlene Johnson & Emerson Perez – *Specialist Behçet's Nurses*

15:40: MEDICAL PANEL Q&A

Chair & Panel: Dr D Situnayake, Dr M Rutter, Dr G Wallace, R Hyder, Dr L Forrest,
Mr S Sreekantam, C Johnson, E Perez

16:25: CONFERENCE CLOSE

Rachael Humphreys

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