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## For Immediate Release

**IETF's Essential Tremor Webcast Addresses Most Common Neurological Disorder in U.S.** Dr. Arif Dalvi Discusses the Diagnosis Process and Treatment Options

Lenexa, Kansas (October 31, 2012) – Dr. Arif Dalvi, Clinical Associate Professor of Neurology, Department of Neurology, University of Chicago, and member of the International Essential Tremor Foundation's (IETF) Medical Advisory Board, discusses the life-altering movement disorder essential tremor (ET) in a webcast scheduled for November 13, 2012, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. (EST).

## Registration

Register for webcast viewing access at **http://bit.ly/IETFDrDalviETwebcast**. Once registered, a confirmation email will be sent with information about the upcoming event. Save the email to easily log in on the day of the webcast.

When returning to the site, if you are prompted to register, simply click on the "Already Registered" link and then log in using your email address.

Technical requirement and additional information can be found on the IETF's website: www.essentialtremor.org/ET\_Webinar.

Dr. Dalvi's webcast presentation will explain what ET is, the causes of tremor, how it is diagnosed, what role genetics play, and the differences between essential tremor and Parkinson's disease (PD). The webcast will also cover common medications, surgical treatments, such as deep brain stimulation (DBS) surgery, current ET research and new developments undergoing study, such as Focused Ultrasound (FUS) Surgery. His presentation also covers FDA-approved DaTscan, a new diagnostic tool. After the presentation, Dr. Dalvi will respond to questions submitted by viewers.

Sponsored by the IETF, this webcast addresses the most common neurological disorder in the U.S., affecting an estimated 10 million people. ET is often characterized by rhythmic, involuntary and uncontrollable shaking of the hands and arms during movement, but it sometimes can also affect the head, voice, legs and trunk. ET is eight times more common than Parkinson's disease yet is often misdiagnosed as Parkinson's.

## About The International Essential Tremor Foundation

Headquartered in Lenexa, Kan., and founded in 1988, the International Essential Tremor Foundation is the leading organization in the world dedicated to helping those affected by essential tremor. The IETF funds research to find the cause of essential tremor (ET) that leads to a treatment and cure, increases awareness, and provides educational materials, tools, and support for healthcare providers, the public, and those affected by ET.

Since its inception, the IETF has distributed more than \$600,000 in research grants to fund 24 promising ET research studies. To learn more about essential tremor, visit <u>www.essentialtremor.org</u>.