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We thank you for your interest in the Sixth International Congress of Neuroendocrinology 2006 and for visiting our website. We hope to see you in Pittsburgh in June of 2006! If you have any questions or concerns pertaining to the meeting that is not explained throughout this website, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Pittsburgh Overview

Arrive at an international airport, rated one of the best airports in the world. Enjoy big city amenities and Old World charm amidst a safe, walkable downtown. Outstanding dining, nightlife and shopping (no sales tax on clothing) are located just minutes from hotels and the new \$354 million David L. Lawrence Convention Center.

Located at the confluence of three sparkling rivers and banked on all sides by green hills, Pittsburgh has earned its reputation as one of America's "most livable" cities. Long a center for the production of steel, iron, and glass, Pittsburgh's economy is now driven by technology, medicine, finance and tourism.

Home to five Fortune 500 companies, Pittsburgh offers big city amenities and boundless hospitality in an atmosphere that is small-town friendly. Travelers arriving by plane can enjoy the first-class service and impeccable facilities of the Pittsburgh International Airport, voted Best U.S. Airport by Conde Nast Traveler.

The Pittsburgh International Airport is home to the Airmall?, a unique selection of shops, services and restaurants, all at guaranteed street-level pricing. Voted the best overall shopping and concession experience by World Airport Retail News, the Airmall offers everything from Speedo, Godiva Chocolates, Victoria's Secret and The Gap, to unique boutiques and Pittsburgh souvenirs.

Head downtown through the Fort Pitt Tunnel and you emerge to a spectacular view of three rivers and a city skyline spiked with architectural masterpieces.

Hospitality abounds in Pittsburgh's diverse ethnic neighborhoods, offering visitors a sampling of food, culture, festivals and celebrations inspired and influenced by the city's history and ethnic heritage. Downtown, a thriving Cultural District offers performances by the world-class Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, Pittsburgh Ballet Theater, Broadway Series and Pittsburgh Opera, while the city's jazz legacy is preserved and enhanced at Manchester Craftsmen's Guild and various clubs throughout the area.

One of America's safest cities, Pittsburgh's downtown restaurants, theaters and shops are easily accessed on foot or on the underground rail system that is free within the city. Off shore, visitors can experience the city's breathtaking skyline on board a riverboat cruise. Additional spectacular views can be had from one of the fine restaurants overlooking the city at the top of Mt. Washington. Or try dinner along the waterfront at Station Square, a restored 19th Century railroad station. Restaurants vary from upscale to casual, and there is a menu to suit every taste.

A wide variety of stores are located within easy walking distance of the David L. Lawrence Convention Center and downtown hotels, allowing plenty of opportunities for taking advantage of the fact that there is no sales tax on clothing, shoes or necessities in Pennsylvania. Downtown department stores include Saks Fifth Avenue and Kaufmann's.

Nights come alive in the Cultural District, home to five theaters within walking distance of hotels and the convention center. The Cultural District also affords a selection of up-scale and mid-range dining, from French to Italian, Tex Mex to Thai.

In the Strip District, the clubs are hot, the food is spicy, and dance floors pulse to the sounds of rock, blues, jazz and swing. Award-winning brewpubs serve up the finest lagers and ales, while classic Pittsburgh fare is featured at nearby diners. By day, the Strip is alive with street vendors and shoppers buying the freshest breads, pastries, cheeses, coffees and ethnic specialties.

Coffee houses, bookstores and numerous art galleries can be found tucked between towering skyscrapers downtown and along East Carson Street on the South Side.

From downtown, a short walk across one of Pittsburgh's many bridges takes you to the North Side, where visitors can experience the work of the pop art prince and Pittsburgh native Andy Warhol at The Andy Warhol Museum, the most comprehensive single-artist museum in the world.

Another North Side "must see" is the Carnegie Science Center, an interactive amusement park for the mind, which features over 250 hands-on exhibits, including the largest science and sports exhibition in the world.

Located just 10 minutes from downtown, Oakland affords a number of attractions and experiences. Enjoy one of the finest dinosaur exhibits in the world at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, or visit an outstanding collection of Impressionist and post-Impressionist works at the Carnegie Museum of Art.

A few minutes away, the Frick Art & Historical Center brings visitors back to turn-of-the

century life. The Frick includes Clayton, the Victorian home of Henry Clay Frick, and the Car & Carriage Museum. Nearby, the sensual delights of flowers and butterflies at the 112-year-old Phipps Conservatory and Botanical Gardens surprise and delight visitors from around the world.

Three hundred years of Pittsburgh history come alive at the Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center in the Strip District. Located in what was formerly the Chautauqua Lake Ice House, this museum offers a variety of exhibits that tell the story of the people who built and influenced Pittsburgh's evolution from industrial megaforce to a center for technology, medicine, robotics and tourism.

Just across the river on Pittsburgh's North Shore you'll find PNC Park, the new home of the Pittsburgh Pirates. This 38,000-seat classic baseball stadium has been designed with masonry arches, a terra cotta front, and a center field that opens to a dramatic view of Pittsburgh's skyline. A short distance away, Heinz Field, the new \$211 million home to the Pittsburgh Steelers, provides the perfect setting for football fans to enjoy Steeler mania.

The new \$354 million David L. Lawrence Convention Center lies at the energy hub of downtown Pittsburgh activity. The Center is ideally situated between the Cultural District and the bustling Strip District, home to outdoor markets, clubs, restaurants and unique shops. Designed by Rafael Vinoly Architects, the new facility fronts the Allegheny River, one of Pittsburgh's three scenic waterways. The new center's design features an expansive interior bathed in natural light that flows through glass divisions between sloping, stainless steel roof panels. The roof's curved surface reflects the graceful curves of three nearby suspension bridges along the river. A public concourse will run the length of the building along the Allegheny River, linked by a bridge to a public plaza on Penn Avenue. The design also features landscaped terraces that extend along the length of the building.

Weather statistics based on searched dates from 1975 to present. Probabilities (chance of) indicate the chance of an event or condition per day (i.e., a 30 percent chance of a cloudy day indicates that each day has a 30 percent chance of being cloudy). Listed below are our average weather statistics for the month of June in Pittsburgh.

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