



The Vasculitis Foundation has secured Symposium travel discounts with the two main airlines flying into Rochester. These airlines are American and Northwest. These discounts only apply to travelers in the Continental United States. However, you may be able to find flights that are less with other airlines, or through on-line search engines ie: Travelocity, Expedia, etc.

To receive these discounts without being charged a service fee (which would almost negate the discounts) you must book these flights from their websites.

Following is a step by step procedure to book your flights.

**For Northwest:**

The discount is 7% off coach fare if purchased before 30 days prior to travel and 5% off coach fare if purchased 29 – 0 days prior to travel. These discounts do not apply to non-stop flights directly into Rochester. They must be round trip tickets with one connecting flight each way through another city.

Effective travel dates to get discount – May 31, 2008 through June 14, 2008. You will note the dates begin prior to and extend past the actual Symposium dates. This allows you to extend your time in Minnesota if you would like to see some of the state.

**The airport code you will use for Rochester is RST.**

To book your flights: **CLICK** onto [www.nwa.com](http://www.nwa.com)

On the home page – left side- be sure roundtrip has been checked.

Put in city pair: ie: *FROM: LAX TO: RST*

Date: *Depart 06/04/08 Return: 06/08/08 ETC.*

Number of travelers- *1 OR 2 ADULTS, ETC. (EVEN IF A CHILD)*

**CLICK** on *NWA Discount Travel e-Cert Redemption (towards the bottom of screen left side)*

**NEW SCREEN:** You will see a place to check adult or child – there is no Child’s fare, but if you are traveling with someone under the age of TWELVE you can designate children. If you do, you will need to change the number of adult travelers. A child under the age of TWO may travel as a lap child at no cost, but you must let the airline know that you are traveling with one, and the child will travel in your lap (no seat assigned). You can put in the time of day you would like to travel on this screen also.

**On this screen you will see a drop down file on the right side –**

**CLICK** *Yes* and then in the drop down under the *yes*

**CLICK** on *Meeting Agreement (World File Number)*

In the space below you will see REFERENCE CODE- You need to enter this five letter code **NYVNC**

**CLICK Search Flights, which is located above on this screen**

A **SCREEN** will come up with many different paired departures and return itineraries. **Scroll** down until you find the departure and return itineraries which will work for you.

**Select your itinerary**

On the next screen you will have an opportunity to include your NW Worldperks number if you have one. If you have a Worldperks number **CLICK Login.**

**If you do not have one CLICK Guest**

The next screen will have your flight summary. You will need to fill in your personal information and then:

**CLICK Accept/Continue with purchase**

On the next screen you will follow the directions to complete your flight purchase. You will need to use a credit card to complete your purchase.

If you would rather call Northwest directly to have them book your flights they will charge \$10.00 per ticket service fee. Their phone number is 1-800 328-1111.

**For American:** Offers 5% discount- the process is much simpler

Go to [www.aa.com](http://www.aa.com)

AMERICAN IS ALLOWING SYMPOSIUM ATTENDEES TO FLY INTO EITHER **ROCHESTER (RST)** or **MINNEAPOLIS (MSP)**.

The allowed dates of travel are anytime between 6/3/08 through 6/11/08.

On the screen:

Fill in your departure date and return date

Add number of passengers

In box just below number of passengers is one which says:

**PROMOTION CODE – Enter A9668BB CLICK GO**

The next screen will list departure flights and return flights separately (they are not already paired).

Select your departure flights and then your return flights.

**CLICK Continue**

The next screen will ask you to either sign in with your AA frequent flyer number or continue without signing in.

Enter your AA information and **CLICK GO**, or **CLICK Continue without signing in.**

The next screen will have your flight information and the cost of the fare with your 5% discount (discount is off the base fare – not the taxes).

Fill in your personal information and **CLICK Continue**

The next screen will be a recap of your flight information at the bottom you will **CLICK Purchase** then follow the steps to finish purchasing your flights. A credit card is also required by AA. Where applicable you should be able to select your seats at this stage of the booking.

If you would prefer to call American to purchase your tickets, please call 1-800- 433-1790. You will need to give them the **Promotion code A9668BB**. They will charge a fee to provide this service for you.

Janohn Bunck (wife of our board member Jim) is a travel agent in California. She has offered to help with the ticketing process for either airline if you need help. You can contact her at 714 894-7920, or by e-mail at [janohnraeb@yahoo.com](mailto:janohnraeb@yahoo.com)