



BCLA Accomplishments

- 2015**
- Created Video telling members stories about living with Lymphedema.
 - Lymphedema Education Day (“Reflections on Lymphedema”) for patients and healthcare professionals.
- 2017**
- Administrative Assistant Paid position established.
 - BC Gov’t Proclamation of World Lymphedema Day, first application.
- 2018**
- Support Groups established.
 - Established monthly Newsletters to members.
 - Lymphedema Education Day (“Prevention & Proactivity”) for patients and healthcare professionals.
 - Established Professional Resource Directory, published annually.
 - Supported the initiation of the Lymphedema Garment Fund, managed by the Spirit of the North Healthcare Foundation
- 2019**
- UBC/VGH Lymphedema Program/Clinic Fundraising Campaign, ended Dec. 2021.
 - 1st Regional Workshop in Prince George.
 - Lymphedema Education card (e-version) sent to BC Doctors through their newsletter.
- 2020**
- Advocacy Committee established, initial campaign asking Pharmacare for compression garment coverage. An 80 page application submitted in June.
 - Infographics created for communication purposes.
 - BCLA T-shirts designed and ordered for distribution.
 - Celebrated 15-year anniversary and recognized founding members.
 - Membership Drive initiated.

2021

- Created comprehensive reading list for lymphatic disorders.
- Advocated via letter to BC Budget 2022 Review Committee.
- Initiated the Lipedema Support Group.
- Initiated monthly online Education Seminars for members & patients.

2022

- BC Gov't Proclamation of World Lymphedema Day (2022,2021,2020,2017).
- Advocacy work continued with MSP, asking for healthcare coverage for initial diagnosis, treatment and education.
- Generated a specific fundraising campaign and updated the Canada Helps site.
- Established new Fund Distribution Committee to meet fundraising goals.
- Regional workshops offered in Kelowna and Victoria.
- Improved communication through Social Media channels.
- Provided seven educational seminars.
- Improved management of financial records including specific 'Not for Profit' accounting practices training.