

2022-2023 British Columbia Lymphedema Association Award Program

The British Columbia Lymphedema Association (BCLA) offers \$1,000 CAD towards a Full Lymphedema Certification Course or advanced training offered by a certification program at a qualified training school that is LANA certified:

[LANA | Lymphology Association of North America \(clt-lana.org\)](http://clt-lana.org)

Funds will be applied directly to the course tuition or possibly directly to the applicant, as determined at the time of granting the award.

Eligibility Requirements:

- The following professional unrestricted licensure in Canada are accepted for Award eligibility in furthering education towards Manual Lymph Drainage (MLD) and/or Combined Decongestive Therapy (CDT) disciplines:
 - Occupational Therapist (OT)
 - Occupational Therapist Registered/Licensed (OTR, or OTR/L)
 - Registered Massage Therapist (RMT)
 - Registered Physiotherapist (RP)
- Must be resident in one of the five British Columbia Health Authorities
 - Fraser Health Authority
 - Interior Health Authority
 - Northern Health Authority
 - Vancouver Coastal Health Authority
 - Vancouver Island Health Authority

To be considered for the award, the following information is required:

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- Must be going into the second or third level MLD and/or CDT program at one of the LANA certified institutions.
- Resume and/or Curriculum vitae (CV)
- One letter of recommendation from a colleague or instructor that includes his or her name, position, and contact information including email
- Answers to these essay questions (maximum of 250 words each):
 - What are your career goals for the next five years?
 - What factors/experiences lead to your interest in becoming a certified lymphedema therapist?
 - Please describe your experiences and/or interest in providing care to underserved Lymphedema and Lipedema populations.

Final consideration may include an online interview with the applicant.

Application Form:

Applicant (Student) Information	
Applicant Name	
Applicant eMail	
Home Address (must live in BC)	
Professional Designation(s)	
Current Health Authority Area	
Current Employer	
Current Employer Address	
School Information	
Name of LANA Certified School	
Past CDT Related Courses taken & Completed <i>(provide details of year taken and final marks)</i>	
Future CDT Courses to be taken & Costs	

Email completed application form plus essay details to BCLA-FDC@outlook.com .

Other Considerations:

- Successful candidates must provide proof of successful course completion
- Award funds would be paid back to BCLA if the course(s) are not completed within one year after receipt of the bursary.
- Successful candidates will be celebrated by BCLA at their Annual General Meeting and on the BCLA website. Student name, picture and a brief biography will be used to celebrate the award.