



We invite you to become a member of PHA Canada. Our members create a strong national voice for the PH community. That voice starts with you: in your neighbourhood, your town, and your city. We need you to contribute to the chorus of voices demanding a better quality of life, better treatments and, ultimately, a cure for pulmonary hypertension. Together, our voices speak louder.

People affected by PH are scattered across our country. Individually, we may have little impact. However, as a united community, we hold more power to advocate for the care and recognition that those affected by PH deserve. By becoming a member of PHA Canada, you give us more influence when we talk to elected officials, the media and others who can help advance our cause. Every member makes our organization stronger, and we need you on our side.



Together we are a community

The Pulmonary Hypertension Association of Canada was established by people just like you: patients, family members and friends who wanted to connect with others and change the future of pulmonary hypertension (PH) in Canada. Our strength as an organization is our membership: the group of individuals who form our core.



Together we are less alone

Connecting people affected by PH is what PHA Canada does. Our goal is to create networks of support in every corner of our country, so that no patient or caregiver ever has to feel like they are alone. Creating those connections between people is only possible if we know who and where you are. You might never know of the care and support that you could find through our community, and you might never imagine the hope that you could give to someone else. Please join us to help grow our strong network of hope, care and support.



Together we have a lot to give

PHA Canada has a lot to offer its members. Our resources and materials are created with the help of patients, caregivers and medical professionals, and will support you every step of your pulmonary hypertension journey. Some of these materials are:

- *Connections* Magazine—the official magazine of the Canadian PH community, published in English and French twice annually.
- *The Pulse* e-newsletter—an electronic newsletter delivered to members' inboxes on the first Monday of each month.
- Brochures, factsheets and pamphlets—these can be ordered for free from PHA Canada to help educate yourself or others about PH.
- PHA Canada Conferences—these allow members to learn about PH and connect with others. PHA Canada works in conjunction with provincial societies, PH clinics across Canada and local support groups to organize regional educational events. In addition, PHA Canada hosts a 3-day National Conference every two years.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM (cont'd)

I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION OF \$ _____

Your donation will be applied to all areas of PHA Canada programming. To learn more about how PHA Canada uses donated funds please visit phacanada.ca/useoffunds

SECTION 3 VOLUNTEERING INTEREST

- I am interested in volunteering my time and skills to PHA Canada and the Canadian PH Community. I would like a member of PHA Canada's staff to contact me to explore ways in which I can help.

SECTION 4 Membership in other PH associations

- I authorize PHA Canada to share my contact information with a local chapter or PH society if one exists in my region.
- Already a member of BCPHS or HTAP Quebec? Your membership entitles you to free membership in PHA Canada. Simply fill out this form and return to our office (doing so indicates consent to verify your membership status with your local society).

PAYMENT

- VISA MASTERCARD
- CHEQUE ENCLOSED MADE PAYABLE TO PHA CANADA

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

CARD #: _____

EXP _____ CVV _____

DATE: _____

NAME _____

(as appears on card)

SIGNATURE: _____

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Becoming a member of PHA Canada means that you will always have a community behind you. Living with a rare illness like pulmonary hypertension can be isolating and frightening...but you don't have to face your illness alone. The support, connection and information you need are available in one place—through the Pulmonary Hypertension Association of Canada.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

DATE: _____

NEW MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

SECTION 1 PERSONAL INFORMATION

NOTE: Please print clearly in all sections

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ PROVINCE: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____

TEL: _____ FAX: _____

EMAIL: _____

I AM A:

- PATIENT CAREGIVER
 FAMILY MEMBER PROFESSIONAL

OTHER _____ (Please specify)

All personal information collected by PHA Canada is used solely as a means for communication with its members and those interested in becoming members. We do not sell or share this information in any other way with third parties.

SECTION 2 MEMBER FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Yes, I would like to become a member, enclosed is my annual dues contribution:

- \$10.00 Individual \$25.00 Family Membership
 \$100.00 Benefactor

If you checked family membership please indicate the name(s) [and age(s) of child(ren)] of additional family members who will be using this membership (maximum 2 adults, 2 children)

1. _____ 2. _____

3. _____

PH can be an expensive disease. If you would like to join but cannot contribute dues at this time, please contact our office.

- I authorize PHA Canada to send me information (such as newsletters, updates, calls to action etc.) by email.

Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation requires that we receive your explicit consent in order to send you information via email.

About pulmonary hypertension

Pulmonary hypertension (PH) is a life-threatening and rare disease affecting the arteries of the lungs. It can strike anyone regardless of age, sex, social or ethnic background. People affected with PH suffer from high blood pressure in the lungs, which results in an enlargement of the heart. This can lead to heart failure.

About PHA Canada

PHA Canada is a federally registered charity whose vision is a better life for all Canadians affected by pulmonary hypertension. PHA Canada was established by patients, caregivers and family members to empower the Canadian pulmonary hypertension community through awareness, advocacy, education, research and patient support.

Together we have hope

PH is difficult to diagnose because it shares many of its symptoms with other conditions. Without treatment, the average life expectancy of a PH patient is less than three years. It is estimated that approximately 5,000 Canadians have been diagnosed with pulmonary hypertension, but as many as 10,000 may be affected by the condition. PH is often an invisible health problem: people who have PH may not look sick. Currently, no cure exists for this disease.

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