

PHA Canada's **Pediatrics Committee**

If you are the parent or caregiver of a child/youth (under 18) living with Pulmonary Hypertension (PH) in Canada, you are invited to join PHA Canada's Pediatrics Committee. The Pediatrics Committee, which includes parents and pediatric PH nurses, works with PHA Canada to provide support and education resources to families of young people living with PH. The committee offers a unique opportunity for members to help identify community needs and to improve the lives of families dealing with PH across the country.

Membership allows you to:

- Network with like-minded community members and parents
- Enhance your knowledge and understanding of PH in children
- Expand your communication and collaboration skills
- Improve the lives of families affected by PH
- Ensure a voice for the Canadian PH pediatrics community

Committee Objectives

The more information parents and caregivers have, the better equipped they are to advocate for children in a variety of situations. The purpose of the Pediatrics Committee is to help identify and develop resources and programs that help families and communities support children living with PH. The Committee takes on initiatives that build awareness of this rare disease within our communities, in addition to advocating for the needs of the pediatric community within PHA Canada and the larger PH community.

What do we ask of you?

We are **not** looking for degrees, but rather for volunteers that are willing to spare a couple of hours each month to help make a difference in the PH community.

The ideal candidate is:

- Passionate about the cause
- Willing & able to make time for meetings
- Able to evaluate community needs
- A good team player
- Unique skills are an welcome (but not essential)

What is the time commitment?

The Pediatrics Committee meets once a month for approximately 60-90 minutes. Additional work on specific projects may also take place via email in between meetings.

How do I join?

For information on how to join the committee please email Kim at kbrunelle@phacanada.ca