



Fact Sheet

Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada

- The Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada (CCFC) is a voluntary, not-for-profit, medical research foundation dedicated to finding the cure for Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, commonly referred to as inflammatory bowel disease (IBD).
- To achieve our mission, the Foundation is committed to raising funds for medical research.
- Education is also a part of our mandate. The Foundation provides information on IBD to patients, their families, health professionals and the general public through education brochures, its national member publication *The Journal*, local education events and the CCFC web site at www.ccfc.ca.
- CCFC invests over 80% of its fundraising proceeds in research and education.
- To date, CCFC has invested more than \$61 million in major medical research projects and is one of the world's leading sources of non-governmental funding of IBD research.
- CCFC was started in 1974 by a group of concerned parents who saw the need to raise funds for research into IBD and to educate patients and their families about these diseases.
- CCFC has more than 65,000 supporters and includes members in approximately 80 local volunteer groups across Canada, supported by regionally based staff.
- CCFC is governed by a national Board of Directors reflective of our country's diversity.
- The key to the CCFC's success is the interest and work of thousands of volunteers across the country. This network of highly organized volunteers participate in numerous fundraising initiatives throughout the year including national programs such as M&M Meat Shops Charity BBQ Day and the Heel 'n' Wheel-a-Thon.
- CCFC also gratefully acknowledges the support of many individual donors and corporate partners.

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