

World CP Day – Light it up Green

About Cerebral Palsy

Cerebral palsy is the most common childhood physical disability (affecting an average of one in every 500 people). There are around 10,000 people living with CP in BC, as well as their family members who devote their lives to the care of their loved ones, and the many doctors and therapists involved in the diagnosis and treatment of CP.

Cerebral Palsy Association of BC

The Cerebral Palsy Association of British Columbia was started in 1954 by a group of parents who wanted to assist their children living with cerebral palsy to reach their maximum potential within society. Today, we are an independent charitable organization governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. We provide support, education, and information throughout BC.

Our mission is:

- To raise awareness of cerebral palsy in the community;
- To assist those living with cerebral palsy to reach their maximum potential; and
- To work to see those living with cerebral palsy realize their place as equals in a diverse society.

World CP Day

World Cerebral Palsy Day is a movement of people with cerebral palsy and their families, and the organizations that support them, in more than 50 countries.

More than just an awareness day, World CP Day is an opportunity to:

1. Celebrate and express pride in the lives and achievements of those with CP and the people and the organizations that support them
2. Create a powerful voice for those with CP to change their world
3. Connect organizations across the globe so they are better equipped to meet the needs of those with CP
4. Create new solutions to everyday problems
5. Act as a catalyst for social change and education campaigns that create solutions to universal challenges
6. Produce tangible, actions and outcomes that measurably improve the lives of those with CP
7. Raise awareness of CP and the issues that affect people with CP at a local, national and international level to create more inclusive societies.

Our vision is to ensure that children and adults with cerebral palsy have the same rights, access and opportunities as anyone else in our society. From Nigeria to the Netherlands, Ireland to Indonesia, Pakistan to Poland, people with CP and their families have powerful stories to tell. These stories of challenge and success are the foundation of our community and global movement for change.

Tell the World “I Am Here”

For World CP Day 2021, you’re invited to join us on the World CP Day map! We want to hear your story. Share a few words, a photo, and your location. All welcome – people with CP, families, friends, therapists, teachers, researchers, supporters, and organizations. Join the map at:

www.worldcpday.org