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Advocates to be honored at 7th annual NY Walk to Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases
Hundreds to gather for a day of fundraising, advocacy, and community-building

NEW YORK, NY – September 12, 2016 – On Saturday, September 17, 2016, hundreds will gather at 9am to register for the 7th annual [New York Walk to Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases](#). The 5K round-trip across the Brooklyn Bridge will start at the northern tip of Cadman Plaza Park in Brooklyn. The crowd will hear recorded messages from LE&RN Spokesperson, Academy Award Winner Kathy Bates and Honorary Board Member and Actor Steve Guttenberg as the ceremony kicks off at 10am.

New York State Senator Martin Golden and New York State Assemblymember Linda Rosenthal will present a New York Youth Ambassador Award to six-year-old Nicholas Hernandez. Nicholas, born with a primary lymphatic disease, and his parents, Enabel and Christina, have advocated for the cause through fundraising and by raising awareness through a dedicated network of supporters. Nicholas and his sister, Lexi, have been selling rubber bracelets they have created as a fundraiser.

Other Walk honorees include:

- Cerini & Associates: Business Leadership Award
- BSN medical: Impact Award
- Felicitie Daftuar: Research Advocate Award

“The hardest thing for a parent, family member, or friend is to watch a loved one in pain or suffering,” said Jennifer Looby, New York State Chapter Chair and keynote speaker. “We are on a mission to conquer lymphedema and lymphatic disease through research. We invite you to join us, and help make our voices and stories heard.”

To support the New York Walk to Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases, just visit [LymphWalk.org](#). Registration is \$20 and each fully registered team member will receive a t-shirt and medal at the end of the Walk. Even if you cannot make it to Brooklyn, consider supporting an existing team.

The Walk is generously sponsored by BSN medical (Premier Presenting Sponsor), Tactile Medical (Presenting Sponsor), BioCompression Systems, ImpedeMed/L-Dex, Juzo, Eiger BioPharmaceuticals, Mikimoto, Medi, Cerini & Associates, LymphDivas, Lymph Press, Luna Medical, ShechterCare, MME Ink, and Kashi.

About LE&RN

Founded in 1998, the Lymphatic Education & Research Network (formerly LRF) is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization whose mission is to fight lymphatic disease and lymphedema through education, research and advocacy. LE&RN provides valuable education resources for the millions of people who suffer from lymphedema and lymphatic disease. LE&RN fosters and supports research that can deepen the medical community's understanding of the lymphatic system. For more information about lymphatic disease or the Lymphatic Education & Research Network, please visit www.LymphaticNetwork.org or call (516) 625-9675.

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