

# LE&RN to host 8th annual New York Walk to Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases at Brooklyn Bridge, September 17, 2017

*Hundreds of participants expected; New Yorker and lymphedema activist Nicole Faccio to keynote*

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, August 18, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- On Sunday, September 17, beginning at 9am, hundreds of supporters will come together at the base of the Brooklyn Bridge in Cadman Plaza Park, New York City, to kick off the 8th annual [New York Walk to Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases](#). The yearly event raises awareness and funding for lymphedema (LE) and lymphatic disease (LD) education, research, and advocacy. Companies will provide LE and LD product demonstrations and information. Speakers will address the progress made and the challenges the community continues to face. Keynote speaker Nicole Faccio will be honored for her ongoing activism at the state level by New York State Senator Martin J. Golden and New York State Assemblymember Linda B. Rosenthal. Darren Wennen, Vice President of Marketing Tactile Medical, will be given the 2017 [LE&RN](#) Impact Award.



Nicole Faccio with her 2016 NY #LymphWalk team, Brooklyn, NY

"I hope my voice increases awareness of lymphedema and lymphatic diseases," Nicole said. "I am asking our leaders to invest in quality of life for millions of citizens so people can get proper and affordable care. I am advocating for funding for research, education and, eventually, a cure."

Since her success at last year's New York #LymphWalk, Nicole has become a leader in New York State's lymphedema movement, making a trip to Albany in March of 2017 for World Lymphedema Day. Nicole's passion for the cause served to galvanize lawmakers; many have now joined forces with Nicole and LE&RN to pass a lymphedema insurance bill in New York State which would require insurance coverage for equipment, supplies, devices, complex decongestive therapy and out-patient self-management training, and education for the treatment of lymphedema.

To register for the year's New York #LymphWalk, join a team, form a team, support a team, or become

a Virtual Walker, just visit [LymphWalk.org](http://LymphWalk.org). Registration is \$20 and each fully registered team member will receive a t-shirt and medal at the end of the Walk. LE&RN thanks National Series sponsors BSN medical (Premier Presenting Sponsor), Tactile Medical (Presenting Sponsor), BioCompression Systems, Juzo, ImpediMed/L-Dex, Eiger, Sigvaris, MediUSA, Herantis, LymphedIVAS, and Lympha Press, as well as local sponsors Lymphedema Products, Norton School, Nesquik, ShechterCare, MME Ink, ILWTI, Wyatt Rehabilitation. Visit [LymphWalk.org](http://LymphWalk.org) to find out more about New York #LymphWalk, as well as other events around the country.

#### 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](http://www.LymphaticNetwork.org) or call (516) 625-9675.

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Nicole Faccio 2016 NY #LymphWalk team Brooklyn Bridge

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