

Steve Guttenberg, actor and LE&RN Honorary Board Member, to appear at 9/17 #LymphWalk

Star of HBO's Ballers takes role in 8th annual NY Walk to Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases

NEW YORK, NY, USA, September 12, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Lymphatic Education & Research Network ([LE&RN](#)) has announced that Honorary Board Member and actor Steve Guttenberg will participate in this Sunday's [Walk to Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases](#) at Cadman Plaza Park in Brooklyn, September 17. Hundreds are expected to begin gathering for registration at 9am. After speeches and an awards ceremony, the activists, donning signature teal t-shirts, will march over the Brooklyn Bridge to the Manhattan side and back, completing a 5K loop.

Steve Guttenberg, a Brooklyn native and currently playing a leading role in HBO's hit series *Ballers*, will bring added energy to the annual event, which raises awareness and funding for lymphedema (LE) and lymphatic disease (LD) education, research, and advocacy. The actor became active with LE&RN because his mother suffers from the disease.

"My mom has lymphedema and so, like all affected families, I feel that I have lymphedema," Guttenberg said. "And that's why I support LE&RN in creating the awareness that will lead to a cure and why I think it's important to attend the Walk."

LE&RN President & CEO William Repicci has sought, and received, the support of celebrities in raising awareness for LE and LD. Within the past few years, following Kathy Bates becoming LE&RN's Spokesperson, stars such as Patricia Clarkson, Andy Cohen, Pat Crowley, Jim Dale, Dame Judi Dench, and Sarah Hughes have used their celebrity status to bring attention to these debilitating diseases that have been ignored for too long.

"Celebrities play a powerful role in connecting the public to health crises," Repicci said. "In Steve's case, his extraordinary passion is fueled by first-hand knowledge of lymphedema's tragic reality."

To register; join, form, or support a team; or become a Virtual Walker, just visit [LymphWalk.org](#). LE&RN thanks National Series sponsors BSN medical (Premier National 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, and Wyatt Rehabilitation.



Steve Guttenberg, actor and LE&RN Honorary Board Member

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 educational 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 diseases or the Lymphatic Education & Research Network, please visit www.LymphaticNetwork.org or call (516) 625-9675.

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LE&RN President & CEO William Repicci with Honorary Board Member Steve Guttenberg



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