

# Interested in the IgA Nephropathy Foundation's Ambassador Program?



Harnessing the power of the IgA Nephropathy community to support, inspire, engage, and activate

patients and caregivers, near and far.

### What?

Through this program, we train a select group of volunteer leaders to extend the Foundation's voice and geographic reach. By serving as our "boots on the ground," we are helping to raise critical awareness of IgA Nephropathy, push for better treatments, and bolster the IgAN community.

Ambassadors will be prepared to:



Share their stories to inspire and give hope to others



Raise awareness of IgA Nephropathy



Educate and engage others, including nephrology care providers



Provide peer support and vetted tools and resources



Empower patients to advocate for themselves and for better treatments

The Ambassador Program is poised to help build local IgA Nephropathy peer and provider networks, reaching patients and caregivers earlier in their journey and carrying the heart and the mission of the Foundation forward.

The training will equip Ambassadors with key skills, How-to resources and template materials centered around four core focus areas:



Peer support



Awareness & education



Community outreach & partnerships



Patient empowerment & advocacy

# Why?

IgA Nephropathy remains poorly understood – even among many clinicians. Half of patients face delays before getting to the right diagnosis and may not know their treatment options or what to expect at different stages if kidney disease. It's easy to feel alone and isolated. But we are set to change this!

# Your stories and our shared connections are at the heart of the Ambassador Program.

## Who?

Anyone affected by IgA Nephropathy – especially patients or a parent who cares for a child with the condition – who has the passion and time to make a difference.

Are you a born leader? A natural people person? Be a defining part of our future and apply to be an ambassador today; candidates will need to take part in a 30-minute interview.



# When?

We are now accepting applications. For planning purposes, please apply no later than October 30, 2024. We will accept applications on an ongoing basis and provide subsequent trainings annually.

## **Learn more**

For more information about the

Ambassador Program, please

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