

About CMF

The Canadian Mesothelioma Foundation (CMF) was founded in 2008 by people whose lives have been personally affected by mesothelioma, a rare form of cancer that is almost exclusively linked to asbestos exposure. Despite a dramatic decline in the use of asbestos since the early 1980s in Canada, the incidence of mesothelioma in Canada, and around the world, is on the rise because asbestos remains in our built environment and symptoms of the disease often do not present until decades after asbestos exposure.



A registered charity, the CMF raises awareness about the link between mesothelioma and asbestos exposure and supports mesothelioma patients and their families, as well as the development of expertise in mesothelioma diagnosis, treatment and care across Canada.

We are largely volunteer run with donations going directly towards achieving our mandate. To learn more, please visit us at www.cmfonline.org, and follow us on Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.



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**Raising awareness and supporting
those affected by mesothelioma
in Canada**

Focus on Patients and Caregivers

The CMF's primary objective is to support and advocate for patients with mesothelioma and their families.

We provide:

- online, private support groups
- webinars and conferences
- information about treatment options and other concerns
- connections with centres of mesothelioma excellence.



CMF Support Groups

We run a number of moderated private, online support groups for mesothelioma patients, caregivers and bereaved to connect with one another, share experiences and seek support from one another. All from a Canadian perspective.

Patient and Caregiver Support

We provide information on mesothelioma, treatments and living with mesothelioma.

Focus on Medical Practitioners



The CMF is committed to supporting the existing medical community and infrastructure in Canada for diagnosing and treating mesothelioma. Our objectives are to:

- foster further collaboration of tertiary care specialists in mesothelioma diagnosis, treatment and care and leading edge clinical practice
- increase awareness amongst health professionals of screening, early diagnosis, mesothelioma centres of excellence and other resources.

We do this by hosting conferences, and through the development of our Health Network.

CMF Education and Training Fund

The CMF invests in building capacity for research on mesothelioma, early diagnosis, treatment options, and improving mesothelioma outcomes. We develop webinars to help patients, family and front-line health care professionals understand mesothelioma. The CMF has provided grants to the University Health Network in Toronto for their Mesothelioma Research Program.

Since 2020, the CMF has funded a professorship in mesothelioma research at the University Health Network, University of Toronto. Visit us online for details.

Focus on Networking



Mesothelioma Health Network

The CMF developed the Mesothelioma Health Network under the guidance of our Scientific Advisory Committee. It is a network of health-care professionals and organizations with an interest and/or expertise in mesothelioma and other asbestos-related diseases. It provides a place for members to share knowledge and experience, information about clinical trials, and the latest research findings. Its mandate also includes providing educational resources for frontline health-care professionals and facilitating easier access to mesothelioma diagnosis and treatments across Canada.



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