

## Informational Guide for Sponsoring Partnership: 2024-2025

Your tax-deductible donation enables children living with rare, complicated, and chronic conditions to share their voices in order to improve pediatric healthcare, research, science, and innovation globally.

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# Letter From iCAN President

### **Empowering Pediatric Patients Worldwide**

iCAN, the INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S ADVISORY NETWORK, Inc., is the PREMIER GLOBAL PEDIATRIC PLATFORM to advocate for the patient voice in healthcare, driven by youth for youth. As a worldwide consortium of 40 children's advisory groups spanning four continents, including one virtual chapter, iCAN's dedicated youth member groups work in unison around the world to provide a voice for children and families in medicine, research, science, and innovation, with a goal of fostering greater global understanding about the importance of the pediatric patient and caregiver voice in healthcare, clinical trials, and research.

On average, our youth are ages 8-18 years old, most of whom are living with chronic, rare, and complicated diagnoses, though a few of our kids have no medical diagnoses or previous medical conditions (for example, siblings). iCAN values and understands that all patients, even the youngest, often have ideas that can help improve their healthcare experiences. To foster diversity, all children from anywhere may freely join iCAN. iCAN also supports young adults and the voice of parents, many of whom have young people who are unable to share their voices.

iCAN has recently incorporated with its independent 501(c)3 status. We continue to be a collaboration between the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Section on Advances in Therapeutics and Technology (SOATT), Georgia Institute of Technology (Pediatrics@GT), local AAP Chapters, children's hospitals, local academia, and other non-profits.

Our goal is to get our kids where they need to be to have their voice heard. Our amazing youth make a difference in pediatric healthcare, through interactions with industry, by presenting original research at conferences, by innovating new solutions, by advocating for the pediatric patient voice in healthcare world-wide, and by telling their stories at conferences and to organizations like the FDA, iACT, NIH, NORD, CDC, and AAP.

With your donation, you make it possible for iCAN kids to travel where they need to be for presentations and conferences, including our Annual iCAN Summit where we bring our kids together with medical professionals, relevant industry and agencies, and each other. There are also sponsorship opportunities for specific Summit events and family travel to our Summit.

In return, depending on sponsorship level, iCAN offers your company advisory opportunities with our kids, social media acknowledgement, logo placement on our website and other materials, presentation and table options at our iCAN Summit, and more. Our kids are ready to share their expertise to help improve our pediatric community.

At iCAN, everything we do is for our kids.

We thank you for supporting children around the world through your tax-deductible donation.

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Leanne West, iCAN President



# We are Better in an iCAN Community

### **Current iCAN Community Partners**

At the heart of every successful organization lies an amazing group of dedicated, caring, and valued volunteers. The strength of iCAN comes from the support and willingness to help our young people as they learn to share their voices and expertise locally, regionally, nationally, and globally.

We actively partner with a diverse group of community organizations to help share the voice of young people and to encourage better access to treatments, research, technology, science, and innovation.

iCAN supports pediatric hospital advisory groups and works with child life specialists, doctors, researchers, medical students, and educational professionals to help identify projects that need community support and solutions.

Our Community Partners are those organizations that are also dedicated to the health and well-being of pediatric patients around the world. Collectively, our community partners are other non-profits or companies that share our goals of amplifying our reach and helping us provide more opportunities for our kids to be heard.



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As a community partner of iCAN, you will be connected to our global consortium of youth, families, caregivers, providers, hospitals, and pediatric support organizations. Our unique approach brings together stakeholders from around the world in an effort to provide a greater global reach for the pediatric patient voice.



# Join the iCAN Community

## **2024 Sponsoring Partners of iCAN Research**

As a sponsoring partner\* of iCAN Research, you will be connected to our global consortium of youth, families, caregivers, providers, hospitals, community partners, and pediatric support organizations.

iCAN is fully incorporated and is a registered 501(c)3. Here are the 2024 iCAN Sponsoring Partners supporting our youth members around the world. We hope you can join us in helping our kids too.

\* Note that the iCAN fiscal year begins March 31 to coincide with the opening of the annual Summit registration. Name as a sponsor on website will start with summit registration announcement, if sponsorship has been received by then. If the donation comes later, but before the conference, the logo will be added at that time to conference materials and the website unless the materials are already out for print. For sponsorship that includes time on the annual Summit agenda, donations must be received by March 31. For sponsorships that come in later, time on the agenda is not guaranteed.



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#### **The VALUE of iCAN: From Our Sponsors**

To me, iCAN has been incredibly powerful, inspiring, and humbling. It gave me the ability to speak to the smart, engaged kids who are battling various illnesses. I can think of no better way to truly be patient-centric and centered. Antoniou Fantana. Advisor-GPS Analytics , Epidemiology-GPS, Eli Lilly and Company

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Having the opportunity to watch youth and their parents learn and grow in their knowledge of clinical research and how they can impact outcomes was an amazing experience. The passion that they have to improve clinical care for children is inspiring, and I believe our future is in great hands.

Phyllis Kennel, MS RD LDN, PMP, Assistant Director, Clinical **Operations at DCRI, and PTN** 

"The idea of getting the insights, getting that input from kids is hugely important. Long story short, we're having a wonderful experience with iCAN, and we're so lucky to work with them. We look forward to many collaborations in the future." Mitch Herndon,

Head of Clinical Trial Pediatric Engagement, UCB



## With Your Sponsorship You Are Supporting A Better Future For Youth



Sponsorship funding goes toward getting our youth where they need to be to share their stories and voices at conferences, with industry, and with federal organizations. With your help, we are able to empower young people to play a more productive role in their own health, the health of other youth, and those that come after. Our youth members are our future, and they are committed to bettering our world. Your support helps to create the next generation of leaders, doctors, researchers, innovators, advocates, and, even, your future colleagues.

Please follow us on social media to stay up-to-date on the amazing accomplishments of our kids!



# Supporting Pediatric Innovation

## iCAN Around the World

- November 2024: In collaboration with ICON Plc, an iCAN Young Adult Professional member spoke at the ICON World Children's Day event where they emphasized the need for education and advocacy in pediatric clinical development, highlighting the importance of listening to the patient's voice and addressing misinformation.
- September 2024: An iCAN youth member and his parent traveled to the University of Maryland in collaboration with the FDA. They represented iCAN as keynote speakers in the "ADEPT 9 Public Workshop on Enhancing Diversity in Therapeutics Development for Pediatric Patients." The University of Maryland Center of Excellence in Regulatory Science and Innovation (MCERSI) is collaborating with the FDA to convene the workshop.
- January 2024 July 2024: Conceptualized by one of iCAN's youth members, The Voices of iCAN Memoir Project collects stories of the iCAN Network, from kids, parents, allies, and industry partners. The project is composed of two parts the written memoirs and then an audio reccording.
- May 2024: In collaboration with PTN and the MPRINT Hub, iCAN Youth Member shared their insights at the 2024 PAS Conference. The session, titled "Mom/Baby Shark Tank: Pediatrics and Maternal Therapeutics Edition," featured two investigators pitching their ideas for solutions to issues in maternal and pediatric care to a panel of "Sharks." The Shark Tank panel included three researchers, as well as iCAN's Youth Member.
- July 2022 January 2022: In collaboration with the PTN and Duke, iCAN is publishing an anthology focused on the topic "Why is Clinical Research Important?" With the goal to make clinical research more accessable and less frightening.
- November 2022: iCAN partnered with Eli Lilly to send a youth member to share their story at the 12th Annual Eli Lilly Pediatric Symposium: Accelerating Drug Development in Pediatrics.
- October 2022: iCAN President Leanne West and a youth member partnered with the Multi-Regional Clinical Trials Center of Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard (MRCT) to speak on a panel regarding "Including Adolescents and Youth in Research" at the 2nd Caribbean Congress on Adolescent and Youth Health.



# What can iCAN Do For You?

### With Your Donation...

- Conduct focus groups with our youth
- Give feedback for pre-clinical trial research development in order to recruit and retain patients
- Provide Language Review for age-appropriateness and understanding
- Provide testimonials about their conditions from expert pediatric youth advisers
- Share projects throughout social media platforms to garner interest
- Give expert youth perspective presentations to you or with you



- Provide advocacy and understanding of their condition or the healthcare of children overall
- Support industry efforts through multiple media channels
- Synergize within greater global medical community
- Create world-wide networking ability through the iCAN Annual Summit
- Educate the next generation of healthcare professionals in pediatric health
- Collaborate with youth ideas for innovation, science, research, and technology
- Spotlight patient-centered care through the voice of the youth/family
- Write and publish patient perspectives



# Support for the Annual Summit



### Bringing Youth Together From Around the World

Every summer, iCAN brings members as well as siblings, young adults, and parents from all of our chapters together for the innovative and exciting iCAN Research & Advocacy Summit. iCAN aims to continue to expand the global network and opportunities for our youth members, as well as increase the success of the Summit each year.

This annual event provides our youth members with an invaluable opportunity to learn from one another and to network with leading professionals in healthcare from around the globe. In turn, the iCAN Summit offers the scientific community an opportunity to engage directly with children and parents, so that they may learn about the value and the importance of the pediatric patient voice in research, medicine, and innovation.

For the last five years, iCAN has hosted the iCAN Summit, alternating between North America and the EU. Averaging around 200 attendees (up to 500 for 2023 with the partnership of iSPI), the Summit provides young people from around the world the unique and inspiring opportunity of working with industry and researchers in medicine, health, and technology to improve the health of children who have medically complex, chronic, and/or rare medical conditions.

The 2025 Summit will be hosted by our KIDS Canada-Francais Chapter in Montreal!



# iCAN Around the Globe



#### Join iCAN July 14 - 18, 2024 in Montreal, Canada for the 2024 iCAN Summit!

### Who Attends?

- Youth members, ranging from 8-18 years of age. Please note: Parents and legal guardians/caregivers must attend with youth members under age 18
- Young adult leaders, interested in pursuing degrees in healthcare, science, pharma, business, and advocacy
- iCAN Chapter Leaders and youth advisers
- Representatives of government agencies (the FDA, Senate, Congress, Health Canada, National Institutes of Health, and many other national and international regulating entities)
- Industry (pharmaceutical, biotech, device, and clinical research organizations)
- Patient advocacy groups
- Community partners
- Sponsoring Partners
- Investigator groups
- Academic institution faculty & researchers
- Young Adult Professionals
- Medical professionals (pediatricians, nurses, child life specialists, researchers)

#### **Presented by Jumo Health**



# Sponsorship Levels and Benefits



Donations made during this time period will be in support of activities between now and the 2025 Summit. You will be recognized for your donation at the 2025 Summit.

iCAN is incorporated and is an independent 501(c)3 . Please email our iCAN Treasurer, Jon Haygood (finance@icanresearch.org), to obtain our Taxpayer ID number or information on electronic payments.

Please Note: for iCAN donations to align with our Annual Summit, donations must be received by March 31, 2025. By supporting iCAN, you are empowering the youth of today to make a difference in the healthcare of the youth of tomorrow. Your sponsorship enables iCAN to provide the support needed to have our kids present their stories, share research, and interact with agencies and industry that can make the needed change happen. Most of our youth will tell you they know that sharing their voices may not create change in time to help them, but they hope their voices can create change for the kids who come after them.

Below you will find our sponsorship levels. We understand that not all companies can donate at the highest level, so we offer a range of sponsorship levels with varying benefits commensurate with the level of funding. Please know that we appreciate ANY level of support and can work with you to customize your giving and benefits to meet your needs.

#### **Sponsorship Levels Amount**

Champion: Naming	\$100,000 +
Titan	\$75,000
Warrior	\$50,000
Guardian	\$25,000
Defender	\$15,000
Protector	\$10,000
Patron	<\$10,000



## Champion Sponsorship Naming\* \$100,000

iCAN is unique to the industry as a youth member organization devoted to the improvement of pediatric healthcare. Beyond supporting iCAN's mission and goals, the iCAN Annual Summit, Ask the Experts, educating the next generation of researchers in pediatric health, and helping get our kids to the places they need to be to tell their stories and to present their research, being an iCAN Champion sponsor provides direct benefits to your company as well. You can expect that we are here for you with our Champion level of service.

## iCAN Champion Sponsor Benefits

#### During the Year (Summit to Summit):

- \* Prominent recognition as one of the following: "Summit Presenting Sponsor", "Activity of the Week Sponsor", or "Ask the Experts Sponsor"
- (1) seat on the iCAN External Advisory Board to help guide the future of iCAN for one year, beginning mid-July, during the year of your sponsorship. This seat ends at the end of the summit but is renewable each year with sponsorship.
- Recognition as the highest level sponsorship— "A Champion Sponsor of iCAN" through iCAN research media channels, our quarterly newsletter, and on our iCAN Website (iCANresearch.org). Media channels include:
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
  - YouTube
  - Linked-In
- Up to five (5) direct and focused "interactions" from expert pediatric youth advisers to improve clinical research during the year. (refer to Page 6, Examples of What We Can Do For You)
- Leveraging of the greater global medical community
- Input into the constantly-growing iCAN educational program and materials
- End of year thank you shared to our greater network of sponsoring and community partners identifying your logo and participation as a Champion Sponsor of iCAN

#### **Annual Global iCAN Summit Benefits:**

- Prominent Recognition of Sponsor as "The Annual iCAN Summit Brought To You By [your company name]"
- (2) 45 minute iCAN Summit Sessions designed for your needs
- (6) Free conference registrations at our annual global Summit (up to a \$6,000 value)
- (1) Conference Table (\$5,000 value)
- Knowing you have made it possible for 25 children & their parent/caregiver(s) to attend the Summit
- Your company logo shared at iCAN Summit
- Global networking through our partners and the Annual Summit

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# Titan Sponsorship \$75,000

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## **iCAN Titan Sponsor Benefits**

#### During the Year (Summit to Summit):

- (1) seat on the iCAN External Advisory Board to help guide the future of iCAN for one year, beginning mid-July, during the year of your sponsorship. This seat ends at the end of the summit but is renewable each year with sponsorship.
- Recognition as a Titan sponsor of iCAN through iCAN research media channels, our quarterly newsletter, and on our iCAN Website (iCANresearch.org). Media channels include:
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
  - YouTube
  - Linked-In
- Up to seven (7) direct and focused "interactions" from expert pediatric youth advisers to improve clinical research during the year. (refer to Page 6, Examples of What We Can Do For You)
- Leveraging of the greater global medical community
- Input into the constantly-growing iCAN educational program and materials
- End of year thank you shared to our greater network of sponsoring and community partners identifying your logo and participation as a Warrior Sponsor of iCAN

#### **Annual Global iCAN Summit Benefits:**

- Recognition of Sponsor of a Day in the conference as "Today is Brought to You By [your company name]"
- (1) 45 Minute iCAN Summit Session
- (1) Half Hour iCAN Summit Session
- (5) Free conference registrations at our annual global Summit (up to a \$5,000 value)
- (1) Conference Table (\$5,000 value)
- Knowing you have made it possible for 20 children & their parent/caregiver(s) to attend the Summit
- Your company logo shared at iCAN Summit
- Global networking through our partners and the Annual Summit

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# Warrior Sponsorship \$50,000

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## **iCAN** Warrior Sponsor Benefits

#### During the Year (Summit to Summit):

- (1) seat on the iCAN External Advisory Board to help guide the future of iCAN for one year, beginning mid-July, during the year of your sponsorship. This seat ends at the end of the summit but is renewable each year with sponsorship.
- Recognition as a Warrior sponsor of iCAN through iCAN research media channels, our quarterly newsletter, and on our iCAN Website (iCANresearch.org). Media channels include:
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
  - YouTube
  - Linked-In
- Up to four (4) direct and focused "interactions" from expert pediatric youth advisers to improve clinical research during the year. (refer to Page 6, Examples of What We Can Do For You)
- Leveraging of the greater global medical community
- Input into the constantly-growing iCAN educational program and materials
- End of year thank you shared to our greater network of sponsoring and community partners identifying your logo and participation as a Warrior Sponsor of iCAN

#### **Annual Global iCAN Summit Benefits:**

- Recognition of Sponsor of a Day in the conference as "Today is Brought to You By [your company name]"
- (1) 45 minute iCAN Summit Session
- (1) Half Hour iCAN Summit Session
- (5) Free conference registrations at our annual global Summit (up to a \$5,000 value)
- (1) Conference Table (\$5,000 value)
- Knowing you have made it possible for 10 children & their parent/caregiver(s) to attend the Summit
- Your company logo shared at iCAN Summit
- Global networking through our partners and the Annual Summit

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# Guardian Sponsorship \$25,000

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## iCAN Guardian Sponsor Benefits

#### During the Year (Summit to Summit):

- (1) seat on the iCAN External Advisory Board to help guide the future of iCAN for one year, beginning mid-July, during the year of your sponsorship. This seat ends at the end of the summit but is renewable each year with sponsorship.
- Up to three (3) direct and focused "interactions" from expert pediatric youth advisers to improve clinical research during the year. (refer to Page 6, Examples of What We Can Do For You)
- Leveraging of the greater global medical community
- Input into the constantly-growing iCAN educational program and materials
- Recognition as a Guardian sponsor of iCAN through iCAN research media channels, our quarterly newsletter, and on our iCAN Website (iCANresearch.org). Media channels include:
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
  - YouTube
  - Linked-In
- End of year thank you shared to our greater network of sponsoring and community partners identifying your logo and participation as a Guardian Sponsor of iCAN

- (1) 45 minute iCAN Summit Sessions designed for your needs
- (3) Free conference registrations at our annual global Summit (up to a \$3,000 value)
- (1) Conference Table (\$5,000 value)
- Knowing you have made it possible for four (4) children & their parent/caregiver to attend the Summit
- Your company logo shared at iCAN Summit
- Global networking through our partners and the Annual Summit



# Defender Sponsorship \$15,000

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## iCAN Defender Sponsor Benefits

#### During the Year (Summit to Summit):

- Recognition as a Defender sponsor of iCAN through iCAN research media channels, our quarterly newsletter, and on our iCAN Website (iCANresearch.org). Media channels include:
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
  - YouTube
  - Linked-In
- Up to two (2) direct and focused "interactions" from expert pediatric youth advisers to improve clinical research during the year. (refer to Page 6, Examples of What We Can Do For You)
- Leveraging of the greater global medical community
- End of year thank you shared to our greater network of sponsoring and community partners identifying your logo and participation as a Defender Sponsor of iCAN

- Branded iCAN and sponsoring partner merchandise and apparel for youth members and community
- Global networking through our partners and the Annual Summit
- (2) Free conference registration at our annual global Summit (up to a \$2,000 value)
- Conference Table (\$5,000 value)
- Knowing you have made it possible for two (2) children & their parent/caregiver to attend the Summit



## Protector Sponsorship \$10,000

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## **iCAN Protector Sponsor Benefits**

#### During the Year (Summit to Summit):

- Recognition as a Protector sponsor of iCAN through iCAN research media channels, our quarterly newsletter, and on our iCAN Website (iCANresearch.org). Media channels include:
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
  - YouTube
  - Linked-In
- Up to one (1) direct and focused "interaction" from expert pediatric youth advisers to improve clinical research during the year. (refer to Page 6, Examples of What We Can Do For You)
- Leveraging of the greater global medical community
- End of year thank you shared to our greater network of sponsoring and community partners identifying your logo and participation as a Protector Sponsor of iCAN

- Branded iCAN and sponsoring partner merchandise and apparel for youth members and community
- Global networking through our partners and the Annual Summit
- (1) Free conference registration at our annual global Summit (up to a \$1,000 value)
- Conference Table (\$5,000 value)





# Patron Sponsorship <\$10,000

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## **iCAN** Patron Sponsor Benefits

#### During the Year (Summit to Summit):

- Recognition as a Patron sponsor of iCAN through iCAN research media channels, our quarterly newsletter, and on our iCAN Website (iCANresearch.org). Media channels include:
  - Facebook
  - Instagram
  - Twitter
  - YouTube
  - Linked-In
- Leveraging of the greater global medical community
- End of year thank you shared to our greater network of sponsoring and community partners identifying your logo and participation as a Patron Sponsor of iCAN

- Branded iCAN and sponsoring partner merchandise and apparel for youth members and community
- Global networking through our partners and the Annual Summit



## Additional Sponsorship Opportunites

## Table at Summit - \$5,000

Want something more than just attending the Annual Summit? Get a table for the week where you can interact with our members, parents, and other professionals in the pediatric healthcare space. You can have giveaways, take polls, suveys at your table, and/or have materials to hand out about what you do. Two Summit registration passes are included with the table purchase.









# Thank You, From iCAN

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