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Scholarships for People with Epilepsy 2014 APPLICATION FORMS AVAILABLE

To help people with epilepsy meet their educational and employment needs, the BC Epilepsy Society offers post-secondary scholarships.

These provide \$1000 grants for up to eight individuals who currently attend or plan to attend a post-secondary institution or employment training program.

BC residents who are who are under a physicians care for epilepsy, 16 or older, and Canadian citizens or have landed immigrant status are eligible. Applicants must also have a current BC Epilepsy Society <u>membership</u>.

The scholarships are awarded on the basis of educational commitment, volunteer work, and other achievements or interests. The grants can be applied to tuition, books, and/or related educational expenses.

The deadline to submit applications is June 13th, 2014. <u>Click here</u> to download the scholarship application form.

For more information about the scholarships please contact our office at 604-875-6704 or at <u>info@bcepilepsy.com</u>

Help Support Epilepsy Awareness this Sunday! CINDY'S 5K POKER WALK

This Sunday, May 25th the 6th Annual Cindy's 5K Poker Walk will be bringing people together to raise epilepsy awareness and funds for the BC Epilepsy Society.

The walk will start at 8:30 am at the Kerrisdale Arena at <u>5670 East Boulevard</u> in Vancouver and go through a beautiful historical area of Shaughnessy.

This is a great event for all ages and abilities to socialize, raise awareness, and

experience the buoyant spirit of the crowd.

The registration fee is \$29 for an adult and \$26 for people 19 and younger. Online registration has closed, but you can register in person at the Running Room store on 2112 West 4th until May 24th or on the day of the Walk between 7:00 am to 8:30 am at the Kerrisdale Arena.

Participants and supporters are encouraged to collect pledges to help support the programs and resources of the BC Epilepsy Society. For every \$250 that you raise, you will be eligible to receive a \$25 gift card. e.g. \$1,000 in collected pledges will get you a \$100 gift card. <u>Click here</u> for a pledge form. Pledges must be submitted by June 27th.

If you are unable to attend, you can sponsor a walker and/or donate to the BC Epilepsy Society through the <u>Running Room Giving webpage</u>.

This walk is part of the <u>Oasis Shaughnessy 8K road race</u> and the <u>2014 Vancouver Sun</u> <u>Run series</u>.

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Camps for Kids with Epilepsy SUBSIDIES AVAILABLE

Beginning to plan summer activities for the kids? Definitely consider a camp!

Camps are a great way for kids to develop social and leadership skills, and explore new activities.

The BC Epilepsy Society provides financial subsidies to <u>Easter Seals Camps</u>, <u>Eureka</u> <u>Camp</u>, <u>Zajac Ranch</u>, and various adaptive day camp programs that provide recreational opportunities.

These are great for kids who need extra support due to medical needs and learning or physical disabilities.

The subsidies reimburse the costs up to \$150 and are awarded on a first-come, firstserved basis. Recipients must be a current <u>member</u> of the BC Epilepsy Society to be eligible.

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