

## Did you know?

- CHIPIG meetings began in 1998 with a desire to form a network of consumer health information providers in the Greater Toronto Area
- The CHIPIG name was adopted in 2000
- CHIPIG became an affiliate of the Canadian Health Libraries Association (CHLA) in 2005; in 2014 CHIPIG became an Interest Group of CHLA
- Over the years, CHIPIG has given three poster presentations on consumer health at the CHLA Annual Conference and one at the OLA Superconference
- CHIPIG surveyed consumer health information providers to develop the **Top 10 Canadian Consumer Health Websites** list in 2006, 2010 and 2014

## Our Vision

Canadians have access to reliable health information to make informed decisions that will positively impact their health.

### Connect with CHIPIG:

 **Website**  
[chla-absc.ca/chipig/](http://chla-absc.ca/chipig/)

 **Blog**  
[chipig.wordpress.com](http://chipig.wordpress.com)

 **Facebook**  
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# Consumer Health Information Providers Interest Group

An Official Interest Group of the  
**Canadian Health Libraries Association  
(CHLA)**

## Who We Are

CHIPIG is the Consumer Health Information Providers Interest Group, a voluntary association of persons, who share an interest in the provision of health information to the general public.

CHIPIG is an official interest group of the Canadian Health Libraries Association, Canada's professional organization for health librarians.

### Mission

Our mission is to enable health information providers in hospitals, public libraries, and other organizations across Canada to improve the health of their communities through the education and empowerment of consumers. We:

- Coordinate a national network of health information providers for professional development, communication, knowledge sharing, and strengthening of the profession
- Identify, evaluate, and promote reliable health information
- Advocate and educate on topics that impact health information services such as health literacy and patient education

## Joining Us

If you...

- Believe that Canadians should have access to reliable health information
- Believe librarians and other information providers play a role in providing reliable health information to the general public
- Provide or are planning to provide consumer health information in your library
- Have an interest in sharing ideas and experience with other consumer health information providers across Canada

...we invite you to join us and connect with other professionals who want to contribute to the dialogue on consumer health information services in Canada.

### Annual Membership Dues

Individual:	\$20
Institutional:	\$50 (up to 3 people)
Students:	Free

Visit the Members section of our website at [www.chipig.ca](http://www.chipig.ca) for a membership form.

## Membership Benefits

As a member, you will be able to:

- Attend professional development sessions on issues important to consumer health information providers and libraries
- Gain members-only access to the presentation materials from our professional development sessions
- Receive professional support through colleagues with consumer health knowledge and expertise
- Access our knowledge base on consumer health information delivery
- Have an enhanced profile in CHIPIG's "Directory of Consumer Health Libraries in Canada"
- Contact other members through the CHIPIG listserv
- Promote your services and experiences on the CHIPIG blog