



Goals of Team Celiac...



Team Celiac is dedicated to improving the lives of individuals with gluten-related disorders through supporting research, which leads to increased diagnosis, expert treatment, development of therapies and, eventually, a cure for those with the disease as well as prevention of the disease in future generations. All major goals of the Center!

Team Celiac is a major community fundraising program for the Celiac Disease Center at Columbia University. All funds raised from Team Celiac Teammates and Friends go directly toward the Center's research program.

Our official event is the TCS New York City Marathon. You can participate by running in the marathon, by getting your company or organization involved, or making a gift to support Team Celiac and the individual runners.

In addition, if you have been accepted into the TCS New York City Marathon and are unaffiliated, we'd like to speak with you!

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TCS New York City Marathon

Sunday, November 4, 2018



Celiac Disease Center at Columbia University

The Celiac Disease Center at Columbia University Medical Center is one of a few centers in the United States that provides comprehensive medical care, including nutritional counseling, for adult and pediatric patients with celiac disease. The Center diagnoses and treats thousands of patients annually from around the world.

Ranked #1 in the world for celiac disease research by expertscape.com, with more than 500 peer-reviewed research publications, the Center's core of researchers are leaders of the most important science in the field, through studies on immunology, epidemiology, neurological and psychiatric disorders, pediatric issues, and nutrition, among other areas.

Visit www.celiacdiseasecenter.org for more information.

Sponsors

Sponsors will enjoy a prestigious partnership with the premiere Celiac Disease Center at Columbia University. Benefits of this partnership include high profile corporate recognition, excellent targeted visibility, and an association with quality, prestige, and innovation.

Join us in the fight—and get your organization involved. The 2018 TCS New York City Marathon is an event for all! There are many ways to engage your colleagues and staff. Whether through sponsorships, in-kind donations, matching gifts, or creating an employee running team, your organization can make a huge difference in the fight against celiac disease. Highlight your brand, promote good health, and build fellowship before, during and after the marathon.

We're here to help! Let us know your goals and we'll build a customized promotional package that meets your needs.

Email celiac@columbia.edu or call (212) 342-4529 to get started!

Make a Gift

All of our activities have been made possible by the generous contributions of patients, their family and friends, and other supporters of the Center. We have done very much with the funds we have and guarantee that your gifts will markedly improve the situation of those with gluten-related disorders. Remember that our overall goals are diagnosis, treatment, cure, and prevention of these complex disorders.

We very much appreciate your interest and support, and any gift you choose to make will help us toward our goal of understanding celiac disease through research.

Donate Online

Please visit us online at www.celiacdiseasecenter.org to use our convenient form to donate online using a credit card.

Please make checks payable to Trustees of Columbia University and mail to:

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Debbie Bemis

I'm running for my daughter Giana (Gigi), the only person able to get me to dust off my running shoes and end my 10-year marathon hiatus. Gigi has suffered for most of her life. After multiple doctors, many tests and no answers, we saw Dr. Norelle Reilly, at the Center. She was amazing—she handed Gigi a sharpie when she timidly entered the endoscopy suite and said “come help me decorate my gown!” referring to her blue paper surgical scrubs! Under the care of Dr. Norelle Reilly and Dr. Anne Lee, Giana is full of energy, and GROWING! Research is changing the lives of individuals with celiac disease and the Center is leading the way! Giana talks about the day that she can eat everything again without fear of getting sick. So, this is why I'm running! Please contribute generously and send a little luck my way.



Chris Brewer

Our journey with Celiac Disease began three years ago when our oldest daughter, Emory now 11, was diagnosed – it was a life changing event and the Center has been a godsend. Today Emory is thriving. Our family hopes that one day there will be a cure for those with celiac disease as well as prevention of it. With your help and the continued dedication of the amazing team at the Ceter, this will one day be a reality. I'm thankful for the opportunity to be a part of this effort and raise funds for the Center's research program.



Claire Costello

This is my fourth year working for the Center. I am running my first marathon as part of Team Celiac to help raise money for the Center's research program! I started running three years ago and have completed five half marathons. Gifts of any amount are greatly appreciated, please be generous!



Dyan Decker

Three years ago I couldn't understand why I was slowly losing more and more weight while my husband tried to reverse the trend with super-delicious, home-made blueberry pancakes. I was referred to the Celiac Disease Center at Columbia University and was diagnosed with celiac disease. Dr. Suzanne Lewis and Dr. Anne Lee have been amazing! AWARENESS is key! Researchers are getting closer to discovering new options for patients with celiac disease, and the Center is leading the way! I yearn for the day that I can eat anything again without fear of getting sick, and for the day that my 4-year old daughter doesn't have to ask me whether she has 'gluten lips' before she takes a sip of my water. This is why I am running. Be generous, the Center needs your help!



Teddy Donohue

My name is Teddy Donohue and my story is probably a bit different. I am 54 years old and have never run a marathon. I could not accurately be described as a runner and this will clearly be a challenge. But I would not bet against me for a few reasons. I feel a visceral connection to Team Celiac as I have been intimately

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aware of Celiac Disease since my daughter Alana was diagnosed with it at age 8. When my friend Dan Ziluca told me that his daughter Zoe had just been diagnosed, I knew from my experience so many of the emotions he was feeling and the road that lay ahead. There is so much to do to ultimately find a cure. I am honored to be a part of the journey and look forward to sharing this challenge with the team. I run for Alana and Zoe.



Bruce Fuchs

Running the NYC Marathon has been a goal of mine since I was a kid. The problem was I never liked to run. This is an obstacle when trying to complete a 26.2 mile race. Our son Daniel was diagnosed with celiac disease at the age of 5. At that time, being gluten-free was much more difficult than it is today, especially for a 5 year old boy surrounded by friends eating pizza and chicken nuggets. It was scary and the obstacles faced seemed enormous, just like running the marathon.

Today, we have amazing support and love from family and friends. With the Center's research, we are hopeful that there will be a treatment for celiac disease soon.



Gabriel Kupchik

I'm running for Team Celiac in honor of my son Ian who has celiac disease. Your support through Team Celiac will enable the Center to continue its groundbreaking research and improve the lives of individuals with celiac disease around the world. Thank you for your kind support.



Julianna LeMieux

I was honored to not only compete in my first marathon last fall, but to be part of the first Team Celiac to support the Center. When the opportunity came up to run the NYC marathon again with Team Celiac, I thought... “Well Gabriel still has celiac disease and there is still no cure, so...” I cannot wait to put on my running shoes again and run through this city that I love this fall. More importantly, I cannot wait to raise awareness of celiac disease and raise money for the Center that has supported Gabriel since his diagnosis at three years old.

Please help me along this journey and donate whatever you can. I am so grateful for every dollar. Thank you and see you on Nov. 4th!



Jonas Ludvigsson

Living in Sweden and feeling like a New Yorker when I'm here leads me to be part of Team Celiac. It has been one of my dreams to run the New York City Marathon and I couldn't think of a better cause to raise funds for the Celiac Disease Center at Columbia University's research in which I am intimately involved.

I'm thrilled to be running for Team Celiac.

Help Spread the Word!!!

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Ralph Orciuoli

Sylvia Veitia, MD, involved Barclays with Team Celiac because her daughter, Madeline, was diagnosed with celiac disease at age 8. All funds raised go directly toward the Center's research program. Research is the only way to improve the lives of individuals with celiac disease. On behalf of the entire team at Barclays, Ralph Orciuoli, MD will run the 2018 TCS New York City Marathon in support of Team Celiac!



Mike Petersen

I'm running for Team Celiac to raise awareness about celiac disease and to help fund the Celiac Disease Center's research program. It is only through research that medical and scientific advances are made. I'm proud to run for Team Celiac!



Jay Waldhauser

Please join me in support of the Center and its invaluable work in the field of Celiac Disease. I will be running on November 4th, in honor of my son, Chase, who was diagnosed with celiac disease at 13 months old. There is currently no cure for Celiac Disease which affects 1% of the population worldwide. The Center's research and clinical care is unparalleled. Please partner with me as I run to bring awareness and raise funds for the Center so that they can continue their dedicated work to improving the lives of those suffering from this disease and perhaps one day, finding a cure. Any donation, big or small, will be greatly appreciated.



Dan Ziluca

Zoe was diagnosed with celiac disease just before her 2nd birthday. I know how lucky we were to work with such amazing doctors, who in a very short time were able to confirm that Zoe did indeed have celiac disease. From the day we changed her diet, we saw that sparkle return to our little girl. The journey has just begun for our family and there is so much more for us to learn. As Zoe starts school in September, we realize we will be faced with new challenges. And as she gets older, there will be questions to answer and times where she will feel excluded from group activities. We are so thankful that we were connected to the Center because we now have a resource upon which we can rely and an organization which we can support.

The Center is focused on research that will lead to increased diagnosis, treatment, therapies and eventually a cure for the disease, as well as prevention of the disease in the future. Our #1 hope and dream is that there will be a cure one day soon – so that Zoe, and all the children with celiac disease, can live happy and healthy lives.

When this opportunity came up, I knew I had to run for Zoe.