



Top 10 Reasons to Join MedicAlert®
Why Canadian MedicAlert® Foundation is Nearly One Million Members Strong

10. FASTER, SAFER EMERGENCY TREATMENT

If you have a medical condition that should be known in the event of an emergency, a MedicAlert bracelet or necklet can save time in diagnosis and prevent unnecessary complications. According to Shelagh Tippet-Fagyas, President of the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation, *“When minutes can count, MedicAlert is the fastest, most reliable method of getting important medical information to physicians, paramedics and other first responders.”*

9. PROTECTION

If you have a drug allergy, MedicAlert identification can help ensure you avoid harmful or fatal drug reactions. If you take more than one drug, MedicAlert can prevent negative interactions during emergency treatment.

8. CONSISTENT CARE

If you have more than one doctor, MedicAlert can alert emergency doctors about your physician and/or specialist and how to contact them.

7. CONSTANT COMMUNICATION

If you travel, a MedicAlert membership ensures you can be identified and medical personnel will have access to your medical information no matter where you go.

6. 24-HOUR HOTLINE

No matter where or when, first responders can access the 24-hour hotline, available around the world in 140 languages. The MedicAlert name and symbol is a registered trademark that is recognized by health care professionals around the world.

5. PARENTS’ PEACE OF MIND

MedicAlert protects almost 100,000 children. Many times they’re too young, too hurt or too afraid to explain their medical situation. Parents often feel better knowing their children’s MedicAlert identification can speak for them if they’re not around.

4. ENDORSED BY THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

Many members join upon the suggestion of their doctor or pharmacist. According to Dr. Douglas Sinclair, President of the Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians, *“In an emergency situation, two factors are of paramount importance – speed and accuracy. When someone is wearing a MedicAlert bracelet or necklet, it helps doctors and other emergency personnel to assess the patient and determine an appropriate course of treatment, especially if that person is unconscious or unable to speak.”*

3. LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

Members pay a low, one-time fee to enjoy a lifetime of protection with instant access to reliable and secure personal and medical information. Membership includes a wallet card that lists your additional medical information as well as medication, special needs, personal requests, physician phone numbers and emergency contacts. Our web site is at <http://www.medicalert.ca>.

2. CHARITABLE STATUS

MedicAlert is a national, registered charity with one mission: to protect and save lives.

1. IT CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE.