

## Evidence-based Practice

ILADS physicians have successfully treated thousands of Lyme disease patients using evidence-based medicine. The published ILADS guidelines concluded that there are large numbers of chronic Lyme disease patients presenting with a poor quality of life despite antibiotic treatment. More than 30% of Lyme disease patients in a Massachusetts and New York cohort remained ill years after antibiotic treatment. The quality of life for chronic Lyme disease was worse than patients who have Type 2 diabetes or a recent heart attack in two National Institutes of Health trials.

ILADS and The Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) guidelines differ substantially, revealing the wide variation in diagnosis and treatment. The IDSA guidelines recommend one-time, short-term antibiotic therapy. Physician demands for better outcomes led to the ILADS recommendation that antibiotics be administered for 4 weeks or longer - or that a patient be retreated - when clinically appropriate.

Professionals attending the Physicians Training Program gain experience using evidence-based medicine for the treatment of Lyme and associated diseases. Both the ILADS and IDSA guidelines are listed on the government-sponsored National Guideline Clearinghouse at [www.guideline.gov](http://www.guideline.gov). A full text copy of the ILADS guidelines is available at [www.ILADS.org](http://www.ILADS.org).

## Applications

Interested applicants can obtain an application by email at [lymedocs@aol.com](mailto:lymedocs@aol.com). There is a stipend available for a clinician to train with a designated preceptor. After the training by the preceptor the trainee will fill out a brief report of what they learned and how this will affect their future practice.

### ILADS & Turn the Corner Foundation Preceptorship Application

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Medical Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical degree, venue, year

Certifications: \_\_\_\_\_

Specialty: \_\_\_\_\_

Tax ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a current copy of your CV and medical license. This application may be mailed to PO Box 341461 Bethesda, MD 20827 or Fax to 301-263-0776 or e-mail to [lymedocs@aol.com](mailto:lymedocs@aol.com).

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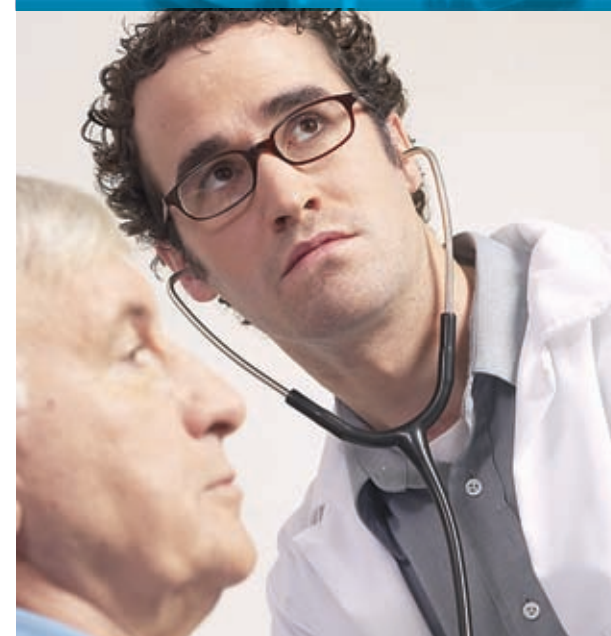


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## Lyme Disease Physicians Training Program



*This physicians training program  
will train the next generation of  
physician-scientists who will be  
future leaders in the treatment of  
Lyme and Associated Diseases.*

# ILADS /TTC Physicians Training Program

The ILADS and Turn the Corner Foundation (TTC) Physician Training Program, a groundbreaking project vital to fostering excellence in care for Lyme disease patients, directly addresses challenges in properly diagnosing and treating Lyme and other tick-borne diseases. The Physician Training Program provides medical and other healthcare practitioners the opportunity to study with Lyme-literate healthcare professionals. Through this experience, participants will develop the skills necessary to properly diagnose and treat Lyme disease. These professionals will be able to return to their community with enhanced skills and the ability to provide superior care to Lyme patients, improving the health and quality of life for those that suffer from the most debilitating effects of Lyme disease.

## Faculty

A dedicated and collegial faculty offers individual clinicians a hands-on education with physicians who are experienced in treating thousands of Lyme disease patients.

## Building experience

The program is designed to foster independence career development for medical and other health care professionals by providing a foundation in the evidence-based treatment of Lyme and associated diseases. The program is also designed to enhance expertise for those clinicians who already have an established clinical practice. The

program features up to two weeks participation in the care of various challenging early and chronic cases including: discussions of the patient's medical history, disease progression and health issues that inform evidence-based treatment plan choices.

## Scientific meeting

In the fall of each year, ILADS hosts an annual scientific meeting that aims to foster collaboration and dialogue surrounding the advancement of research and treatment of Lyme and associated diseases. Attendees include many prominent Lyme disease researchers and physicians. Trainees are encouraged to participate in the annual scientific presentation, including a physician training sponsored lecture.

## ILADS

ILADS is a nonprofit, international, multidisciplinary medical society dedicated to the diagnosis and appropriate treatment of Lyme and its associated diseases. ILADS promotes understanding of tick-borne diseases through research and education and strongly supports physicians and other healthcare professionals dedicated to Lyme and its associated diseases. ILADS promotes understanding of tick-borne diseases through research and education and strongly supports physicians and other advancing the standard of care for Lyme and its associated diseases.

## Turn the Corner Foundation

Turn the Corner Foundation (TTC) is dedicated to the support of research, education, awareness and innovative treatments for Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases.

TTC is one of the premier granting organizations for Lyme disease research in the country. TTC supports innovative research projects in all areas of prevention, diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease.

TTC is also a leader in fundraising for Lyme disease research and support programs. Anyone interested in supporting the foundation, its programs or its annual fundraising gala should visit [www.turnthecorner.org](http://www.turnthecorner.org).

