

Project Life is committed to fostering a diverse, equitable, and inclusive environment for all individuals affected by Metastatic Breast Cancer (MBC). We recognize that this disease impacts people of all races, ethnicities, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, abilities, socioeconomic backgrounds, and belief systems. We believe that our strength lies in embracing the richness of these diverse experiences and perspectives.

We are dedicated to:

- **Inclusion:** Creating a welcoming and supportive community where every MBC patient and caregiver feels valued, respected, and heard. We strive to eliminate barriers to participation and ensure equitable access to our programs, resources, and support.
 - How do we do this? At Project Life, we are deeply committed to creating an authentic and empathetic space for all those affected by MBC. Our leadership team, which is predominantly made up of individuals living with MBC, strengthens this commitment by ensuring that the perspectives of those directly impacted guide our decisions and actions. We believe in fostering inclusion through direct, personal engagement, often connecting with individuals in smaller, more intimate group settings where everyone's voice can be heard and valued.

Beyond these interactions, we also provide mentorship opportunities and prioritize accessibility in all our communications, making sure that every person—regardless of their background—feels empowered to fully participate in our community. Our commitment doesn't end with events; we offer ongoing resources to provide continuous support, and we are always listening. Through various feedback channels, we consistently evaluate our programs, using the insights we gather to evolve and better meet the needs of our members.

- **Equity:** Acknowledging and addressing the unique challenges faced by different groups within the MBC community. We are committed to providing tailored resources and support that meet the specific needs of individuals based on their diverse backgrounds and circumstances. This includes actively working to eliminate disparities in access to care, information, and support.
 - How do we do this? We are deeply committed to equity by ensuring that everyone affected by MBC has access to the resources and support they need—no matter their background. We recognize that each individual has unique challenges, and so we tailor our programs to meet those specific needs. Whether it's through offering free legal clinics that provide vital support or through workshops like *Spinning Science*, which helps break down complex scientific information into understandable terms, we are dedicated to creating spaces where all individuals, including caregivers, feel welcomed and supported.

Our *Project OUTreach* initiative is one example of this commitment, as it specifically acknowledges and addresses the needs of those in the LGBTQ+

community living with MBC. We believe that support should be accessible to all, which is why everything we offer is completely free of charge. By removing financial barriers, we ensure that no one is left behind in their MBC experience.

- **Diversity:** Celebrating the diversity of our community and actively seeking to include individuals from all walks of life. We believe that a diverse community strengthens our collective understanding of MBC and allows us to better serve the needs of everyone affected by the disease. We are committed to amplifying the voices of underrepresented groups and ensuring their perspectives are incorporated into our programs and initiatives.
 - How do we do this? We take pride in celebrating the diverse experiences and perspectives that make up our community. We understand that MBC impacts people from all walks of life, and we actively seek to ensure that our community reflects a wide range of races, ethnicities, ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, abilities, socioeconomic backgrounds, and belief systems. We believe that by embracing this diversity, we not only enrich our collective understanding of the disease, but also strengthen our ability to meet the unique needs of every individual affected by MBC.

Our commitment goes beyond just representation; we strive to create diverse opportunities for engagement where everyone—especially those from underrepresented groups—has a voice. It's not enough for these individuals to be included; we want them to be actively involved in shaping the direction of our work and the future of our community. By amplifying their voices, we ensure that our programs and initiatives are truly reflective of the people we serve.

We are committed to ongoing learning and improvement in our DEI efforts and welcome feedback from the community. We believe that by embracing diversity, promoting equity, and fostering inclusion, we can create a stronger and more supportive community for all those impacted by Metastatic Breast Cancer (MBC).

If you have questions or concerns, please contact admin@projectlifembc.com