The Breast Cancer Network of Western New York Advocacy Committee is writing to you to ask for your support in getting the Lymphedema Treatment Act passed. We represent over 200 breast cancer survivors in Western New York who are at risk of Lymphedema.

We are asking you to please join over 270 members of the House and Senate and cosponsor the Lymphedema Treatment Act, S 2373/HR 1608. Your support of this bipartisan legislation is very important to our organization.

This bill will enable coverage for the doctor-prescribed compression therapy supplies that are the cornerstone of lymphedema treatment. More information can be found at: http://lymphedematreatmentact.org/about-the-bill/ita-info-packet-for-congress/

Inadequately treated lymphedema is progressive, leading to costly complications, co-morbidities and disability. Coverage of these medically necessary supplies will improve patient care while reducing the total healthcare costs associated with this chronic and potentially debilitating disease.

The Lymphedema Treatment Act is supported by the American Cancer Society, American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Oncology Nursing Society, American Physical Therapy Association, American Occupational Therapy Association, and many other groups.

To cosponsor please contact Nico Janssen in Senator Cantwell's office at Nico_Janssen@cantwell.senate.gov or 202-224-3441, or Lindsay Manson in Congressman Reichert's office at Lindsay.Manson@mail.house.gov or 202-225-7761.

If you are already a cosponsor of the Lymphedema Treatment Act, your support is very much appreciated. If you are not, I hope that you soon will be. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Advocacy Committee
Breast Cancer Network of WNY, Inc.