

A Fact Sheet

Our Genesis

Three Lakes Foundation was created by a family tragically affected by idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), a form of pulmonary fibrosis with an unknown cause. Driven by their own frustrations with misdiagnoses, lack of information, poor treatment options, and limited oxygen access, they have focused on changing the course of care for future patients, caregivers, and physicians.

The Disease

IPF is a serious lung disease that causes irreversible scarring of the lung tissue. Approximately 40-50,000 are diagnosed each year and 40,000 die annually. There is no cure for IPF.

Our Mission

To serve as a catalyst for uniting research, industries, and philanthropy in pulmonary fibrosis to improve time to diagnosis and accelerate new therapies.

Our Vision

A world where pulmonary fibrosis can be easily diagnosed and life-giving therapies are accessible, improving quality of life for both patients and families.

Our Progress

Since we started our quest to change the course of care, the following exemplifies our progress:

> **20**

The number of programs and research we've supported to identify new pathways and approaches to therapies

> **40**

The number of medical institutions and universities that we've collaborated with globally

> **100**

The number of advocacies, patient support, and nonprofit organizations that we connect with to support patients and family members

Influencing Change Through An Innovation Ecosystem

For many patients and physicians, the pace of change in the PF community is slow. A cause of the sluggish pace of change is the result of a decentralized community where information, data, and ideas are not easily available or accessible. Awareness of the disease is almost invisible. Misdiagnosis is common. Access to care and drugs are limited.

By uniting research, industries, advocacy, and other groups together for a common cause, we can change the course of care. We can improve the time that patients are diagnosed. We can accelerate new therapies. We can enhance caregiving and influence change. We call this integrated network an Innovation Ecosystem. Together, we can create coherent solutions, each independent, but united in cause. Together, we can alter the pace of change in the PF community.