

What is DIGITS?

- ❑ Motility disorders of the intestines (bowel) are diseases in which the intestinal muscle or nerves controlling the intestinal muscle do not work properly. The contents of the intestine (food or stool) cannot be moved along the intestinal channel, so the bowel is effectively blocked even though there is no physical kink or twist.
- ❑ Irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) which affects at least 2 million Canadians, and causes abdominal cramps and alternately constipation and diarrhea, is very likely a form of motility disorder. We believe that diffuse irritable gastrointestinal tract syndrome (DIGITS) may be an advanced form of irritable bowel syndrome that can affect the bowel much more intensely and at several different locations in the body. Therefore, DIGITS also affects the normal “squeeze and push” may be over-working. In our experience at London Health Sciences Centre, by observing a group of patients who have these signs and symptoms, we believe that the condition of DIGITS is actually a real disease, and not “imaginary” or “in your head” as many patients have been told in the past. However, the actual cause of the condition remains unknown.

What is the treatment for DIGITS?

- ❑ Diagnosis
- ❑ Hydration
- ❑ Nutrition
- ❑ Medication
- ❑ Counseling
- ❑ Selective surgery
- ❑ Pain management

Our Mission

- ❑ We are committed to discovering the cause and cure of DIGITS and providing individuals with DIGITS and their families with knowledge, support and care.
- ❑ As a 3rd party fundraiser we are pleased to have a working relationship with the London Health Sciences Foundation. All proceeds raised for DIGITS will be used to support DIGITS research.

Our Vision

- ❑ To Facilitate and conduct research to determine the cause, alternative treatment measures, and the cure of DIGITS.
- ❑ To continue to identify methods and strategies to improve the lives of individuals with DIGITS.
- ❑ To establish a community of individuals with DIGITS to share their stories, listen, and grow from one another.
- ❑ To increase support and awareness for individuals with DIGITS in both the medical and public community.
- ❑ To engage and promote fundraising events in the communities of individuals with DIGITS.

Thank you for your support. We truly appreciate it.



Swing into Spring Gala

Saturday March 2nd, 2013
The Windermere Manor



Diffuse Irritable Gastrointestinal Tract Syndrome

Welcome to DIGITS 2nd Swing Into Spring Gala

March 2nd, 2013

Master of Ceremonies Mr. Dave Collins

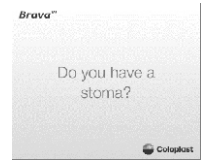
- 7:00 Silent Auction Opens
- 7:45-8:00 Welcome Dr. Brian M. Taylor
- 8:05-8:30 Miss Melissa Murray
- 8:30-8:40 Miss Melissa Murray & Dr. Brian M. Taylor
- 8:45-9:15 The Knight Caps
- 9:20-9:30 Closing Remarks Taunya Wideman-Johnston
- 9:30 Door Prizes
50/50 Draw
- 9:40 -1:00 Geoff Stevens Band
- 10:00 Silent Auction Closes

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We are extremely grateful for your contribution supporting DIGITS Research!

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