

**“A COUNTRY IS NOT POLIO FREE UNTIL THE WORLD IS POLIO FREE”– World Health Organization**

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**Polio**

*Eradication, Education and Rehabilitation*

**APRIL 12TH to OCTOBER 2008**

**Victoria, British Columbia to Cape Spear, Newfoundland & Labrador**

Ramesh Ferris, a 27 year old polio survivor, can walk with the assistance of braces and crutches; however, his legs are not strong enough to propel a conventional bicycle. Instead, he rides using a hand cycle which relies on his powerful upper body strength to maximize distance and speed. Cycle to Walk will entail Ramesh, with the help of a support team, hand cycling across Canada, raising awareness and funds regarding polio issues along the route. Polio remains endemic in four countries (Afghanistan, Pakistan, Nigeria and India) yet **11% of Canadians are not immunized** against this devastating virus.

The Cycle to Walk trek will take approximately six months to complete along Canada's highways and

includes a Cycle to Walk visit to all provincial capital cities. **We need your support today!**



If we fail to eradicate polio, the World Health Organization says, **“ More than 10 million children will be paralyzed in the next 40 years if the world fails to capitalize on it's \$40 billion global investment in eradication”**

*“Canada and my adoptive family gave me the rehabilitative supports to overcome polio and fully participate in society. My dream is to give others, worldwide, that opportunity. Cycle to Walk is my small way of making this dream a reality”~ Ramesh Ferris, 2007*



**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

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