

### **Philippe Lucas Short Bio**

Philippe Lucas PhD(c) is Vice President, Global Patient Research & Access at Tilray ([www.tilray.ca](http://www.tilray.ca)), a federally authorized medical cannabis production, research and distribution company based in Nanaimo, BC, Vice-Chair of the Cannabis Canada Council, and a Graduate Researcher with the Canadian Institute for Substance Use Research. His scientific research includes the therapeutic use of cannabis in the treatment of mental health conditions and addiction, and he has been invited to provide expert testimony before the Canadian House of Commons, the Canadian Senate, and the BC Supreme Court.

Philippe first became involved with medical cannabis as a patient, and founded the Vancouver Island Compassion Society in 1999 to serve the needs of patients who might benefit from the medical use of cannabis. He is extremely community involved, and served as a Victoria City Councillor and Regional Director from 2008-2011.

Philippe has received a number of accolades and awards for his work, including the *Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal* (2013) for his work and research on medical cannabis, the University of Victoria *Blue and Gold Award* for academic excellence and community service (2007), and the *Vancouver Island Civil Liberties Association Leadership Award* (2002).