

Kristina Modic je izvršna direktorica, pred tem pa dolgoletna predsednica in soustanoviteljica Slovenskega združenja bolnikov z limfomom in levkemijo, L&L.

Pri 33 letih je zbolela za visokomalignim difuznim velikoceličnim ne-Hodgkinovim B limfomom in se leta 2005 uspešno pozdravila. Odtlej je aktivna zagovornica bolnikov s krvnim rakom na nacionalni in mednarodni ravni in je dejavna v številnih projektih in kampanjah ozaveščanja na področju hemato-onkoloških bolezni in širše.

Diplomirana ekonomistka in izkušena strokovnjakinja za marketing ter vodenje projektov v Slovenskem združenju bolnikov z limfomom in levkemijo vodi razvoj in izvajanje številnih kakovostnih in inovativnih podpornih programov, ki pomembno dopolnjujejo celostno obravnavo bolnikov s krvnim rakom, in jim tako tlakuje pot v zdravstveni sistem.

Od leta 2016 do leta 2021 je bila predsednica, trenutno pa je podpredsednica Združenja slovenskih organizacij bolnikov z rakom Onko Net. Je članica Sveta pacientov Onkološkega inštituta Ljubljana ter članica Sveta za nadzor Državnega programa za obvladovanje raka pri Ministrstvu za zdravje RS. Zadnja štiri leta je članica upravnega odbora mednarodne mreže organizacij bolnikov s plazmocitomom Myeloma Patient Europe, kjer aktivno sodeluje v projektih organizacije.

Kot prostovoljka že vrsto let sodeluje z zdravstvenim portalom [Med.Over.Net](https://www.medover.net), na katerem moderira dva spletna foruma s področja onkologije: Kako živeti z rakom ter Limfom in levkemija.

Zaradi uspešnih in odmevnih javnih kampanj ozaveščanja ter dolgoletnega zagovorništva bolnikov z rakom je bila dvakrat nominirana za *Slovenko leta* in bila večkrat imenovana *Ime tedna* in *Ime meseca* na radiu Val 202.

V letu 2021 je za uspešno zasnovo, vodenje in izvedbo nacionalne akcije zbiranja sredstev za nakup naprave za celično terapijo CAR-T, skupaj s prof. dr. Samom Zverom, dr. med., postala prejemnica prestižne nagrade *Citizen's prize*, ki jima jo je za njun prispevek k solidarnosti in vseevropskemu napredku bolnikov z rakom podelil Evropski parlament.

Kristina Modic is a co-founder and long-time president of the Slovenian Association of Patients with Lymphoma and Leukemia, L&L and currently serving as its managing director. At age 33, she developed highly malignant diffuse large cell non-Hodgkin's B lymphoma and was successfully cured in 2005. Since then, she has been an active advocate for blood cancer patients nationally and internationally and has been active in numerous projects and awareness campaigns in the field of hemato-oncological diseases and beyond.

As graduate economist and experienced expert in marketing and project management she is leading the development and implementation of numerous quality and innovative support programs that significantly complement the comprehensive treatment of blood cancer patients.

From 2016 to 2021, she was the president and currently the vice-president of the Association of Slovenian Cancer Patients' Organizations, Onko Net. She is a member of the Patients' Council of the Oncology Institute Ljubljana and a member of the Council for the Supervision of the National Cancer Control Program at the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Slovenia. For the last four years, she has been a member of the board of directors of the international network of organizations of patients with plasmacytoma Myeloma Patient Europe, where she actively participates in the organization's projects.

For the successful design, management and implementation of the national fundraising campaign for the purchase of a CAR-T cell therapy device, together with prof. dr. By the Beast himself, dr. med., she was awarded the prestigious Citizen's prize by the European Parliament for the contributions to solidarity and the pan-European progress of cancer patients.