Colorectal Cancer

Colorectal cancer affects the colon or rectum. Whether you are newly diagnosed, are on treatment or are a survivor, family member or caregiver, these resources can help.

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American Cancer Society

This organization provides patients and caregivers with detailed information about colorectal cancer diagnosis, staging and treatment. Survivors can learn about posttreatment steps, such as developing a survivorship care plan with their doctor and managing long-term side effects. The Cancer Survivors Network helps people living with cancer connect with one another and share stories.

CancerCare

Whether you need emotional, financial or educational support, CancerCare is here for you. Speak to an oncology social worker, find a case manager and connect with others through free online or in-person support groups. In addition, you can learn more about your disease from leading oncology experts and get help with treatment-related costs, including transportation, home care or childcare.

Cancer.net

Run by the world's largest association of oncologists, this patient information website provides extensive information on how to cope with colorectal cancer treatment and how to find a cancer specialist, clinical trials and follow-up care as well as what questions to ask your health care team.

Colon Cancer Foundation

The foundation's health management tool helps people living with colorectal cancer manage, organize and securely share their health information. CRC Connect, a new digital community, allows people to share information and best practices in real time. Early-onset (before age 50) colorectal cancer is a focus of the nonprofit's annual summit.

Colontown

A community of private Facebook groups, Colontown has over 100 hosted "neighborhoods" organized according to disease stage, treatment, age, and more.

Colorectal Cancer Alliance

This nonprofit provides guidance for patients, including what to do depending on the stage of your cancer and how to find financial assistance and support through its helpline (877-422-2030) and buddy program. It also offers tips for survivors, family members and caregivers.

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

The institute's Young-Onset Colorectal Cancer Center is one of the first centers in the United States to focus primarily on patients under age 50. Via the center, they receive comprehensive care, including support services and resources specific to young adults and access to a multidisciplinary team that will help create a personalized treatment plan based on their cancer's genetic profile.

Fight Colorectal Cancer

This organization equips patients and survivors with the tools to advocate on their own behalf. Learn about prevention and treatment options as well as how to help fight colorectal cancer in your own community.

The Colon Club

The Colon Club's mission is to help adults under age 45 who have been diagnosed with colorectal cancer. Through The Colon Connection, patients, survivors and caregivers are matched with someone who has had a similar diagnosis or experience for emotional support.

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