Small-Cell Lung Cancer Resources

After a small-cell lung cancer (SCLC) diagnosis, you need education, support, access to care and help with finances.

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American Cancer Society

Check out a library of educational resources on small-cell lung cancer. Start with the easy-to-read overview “If You Have Small Cell Lung Cancer ," for more in-depth info, see “Treating Small-Cell Lung Cancer,” which includes information on chemotherapy, immunotherapy, radiation therapy, surgery and palliative procedures for treating SCLC. You can also find information about seeking a second opinion, participating in a clinical trial, complementary medicine, finding support programs and more.

Cancer.Net

This patient education site, run by the American Society of Clinical Oncology, has a Small-Cell Lung Cancer Guide. Its comprehensive, oncologist-reviewed articles cover risk factors and prevention, screening, symptoms and signs, diagnosis, stages, types of treatment, clinical trials, latest research, coping with treatment, follow-up care, survivorship and more.

GO2 Foundation for Lung Cancer

GO2 Foundation is prioritizing the “vulnerable, historically underserved patient community” of people with SCLC through “improved access to educational materials, support, community engagement and cutting-edge clinical trials.” Its SCLC section includes links to its Helpline, free educational materials, including the downloadable PDF brochure Small-Cell Lung Cancer Patient and Caregiver Guide, a peer-to-peer phone buddy service, the Lung Cancer Living Room (a monthly patient education and support series) and a lung cancer registry. Helpful articles include “A Primer on Small Cell Lung Cancer and the Role of Clinical Trials in Treatment” and “New Directions in Small Cell Lung Cancer.” The GO2 Foundation also coordinates in-person support groups for people with lung cancer and their caregivers in 36 states.

LungCancer.org

This website, created by the cancer support organization CancerCare, provides information on online, phone and in-person support groups for people affected by lung cancer, including young adults, caregivers and people with metastatic disease. It also includes SCLC-specific updates on treatment news, information on support groups, financial assistance and advice for caregivers.

LUNGevity Foundation

LUNGevity seeks to change outcomes for people with lung cancer through research, education and support. It provides education brochures (including SCLC-specific ones) and provides support for people with lung cancer and survivors who need help coping with the physical, emotional and practical aspects of their diagnosis. LUNGevity's Lung Cancer Support Community offers a social network of support to people affected by lung cancer.

Lung Cancer Research Foundation

The mission of the Lung Cancer Research Foundation is to improve lung cancer outcomes by funding research for the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure of lung cancer. People with lung cancer and their caregivers can connect with support, resources and education by going online or by calling the free support line at 844-835-4325.

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