Resources

Financial Assistance

Cancer can take a toll on more than your day-to-day health—it can also drain your finances. The following organizations offer financial help when you need it most, because no one should have to decide between medical treatment and everyday needs.

Cancer Financial Assistance Coalition

Database of organizations that provide financial and practical help for people living with cancer.

Cancer.net

Links to national and local resources, including housing and travel assistance, help with medication and treatment costs and other types of financial aid.

Colorectal Cancer Alliance

Blue Hope Financial Assistance provides stipends for screening and treatment expenses for qualifying individuals.

Healthcare Hospitality Network

An association of nonprofit organizations that provide lodging and support for the families and loved ones of people receiving medical treatment away from home.

HealthWell Foundation

At HealthWell, underinsured patients with specific chronic and life-altering diseases can apply for grants. Funding is organized according to illness, including many types of cancer; check out the list to see whether your cancer is currently covered and whether you qualify.

Hirshberg Foundation

The Hirshberg Pancreatic Program offers grants to people with pancreatic cancer for transportation and treatment costs, home care, pain medication and childcare.

Kaiser Family Foundation

Medicaid Benefits Data Collection provides a database of Medicaid benefits searchable by state and sorted by type of assistance needed.

Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

Listings of financial assistance providers, including groups that help with mortgage, rent and utility bills.

Metastatic Breast Cancer Network

A list of financial aid organizations, many specifically for people living with breast cancer.

NeedyMeds.com

Information on drug company patient assistance programs that help people obtain medications they cannot afford.

Patient Advocate Foundation

Services include case management, outreach and support, legal services, copay relief, grant programs and help navigating Medicare.

Prostate Cancer Foundation

A database of financial resources for people with prostate cancer and other types of cancer; includes links to free prostate cancer screening.

Stupid Cancer

A directory of mainly youth-specific aid organizations; includes scholarships for high school and college students who are living with or survivors of cancer.

Vital Options International

The Selma Schimmel Vital Grant provides assistance to anyone living with cancer in financial need.

Young Survival Coalition

Listing of financial assistance programs, many specifically for young women with breast cancer.

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