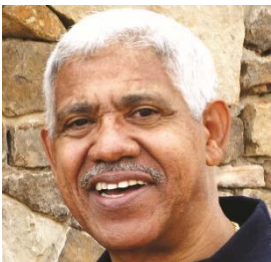


Maryland Cancer Screening, Diagnosis, & Care Resources



Introduction

Cancer screening tests are available for many different kinds of cancer. Screening tests check someone's body for cancer before symptoms appear and can help find cancer at an early stage. When abnormal tissue or cancer is found early, it may be easier to treat or cure. By the time symptoms appear, the cancer may have grown and spread. This can make the cancer harder to treat or cure. Getting screening tests regularly may find breast, cervical, and colorectal (colon) cancers early, when treatment is likely to work best. The resources listed in this publication include programs in the Maryland Department of Health which provide screening and limited diagnostic services at no cost to eligible Maryland residents. Many resources listed also provide education, support and financial assistance for those going through the screening and diagnosis process.

Additionally, the resources listed in this publication provide information, support and financial assistance for those diagnosed with cancer. Cancer is an expensive disease. The cost of medical treatment is just one of the many concerns a newly diagnosed patient or their family members may have. Because bills and debt can add up quickly, people may want to seek financial help and develop a plan soon after being diagnosed with cancer. Costs associated with cancer treatment may include:

- direct medical expenses (doctor's fees, medication, hospital charges),
- related non-medical expenses (transportation to and from treatment, child care, medical supplies),
- daily living expenses (food, housing, utilities).

The first step in managing financial concerns is to ask for help and talk about your financial concerns. This can be difficult for some people, especially if you don't know what to say. Start by talking to your doctor, nurse or patient navigator. You might want to start by saying: "I am worried about costs related to my cancer treatment. Can we talk about my concerns?"

There are many resources available to cancer patients, but it takes time to find resources, apply for assistance and follow-up. You may have to use a variety of different financial assistance programs to cover costs. Keep the following tips in mind as you begin to research financial assistance resources:

- Ask a family member, friend or social worker to help you keep track of the organizations you contact, their eligibility requirements and applications.
- Each organization has their own eligibility criteria for funds and the amount of funds provided vary greatly. Contact the organizations listed in this publication for the most up-to-date information on eligibility criteria, funding available, and other program details that may have changed.
- You will most likely have to share some personal information with organizations in applications. Be prepared with needed copies of paperwork.
- Some organizations require that a social worker or health care provider refer you to be program to indicate need and your diagnosis.

Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Resource List
Maryland Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP)
1-800-477-9774

Maryland's Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (BCCP) provides breast and cervical cancer screening, diagnosis, and patient navigation services to eligible women across the state. Twenty-three jurisdictions in the state have been awarded grants through local health departments or hospitals to coordinate the provision of breast and cervical cancer screening through BCCP outreach, education, and follow-up services.

Eligibility Criteria

- Maryland resident; and
- 40 to 64 years old, 65+, please call for more information; and
- Have a household income at or below 250% of federal poverty guidelines; and
- Have no health insurance or health insurance that does not completely pay for needed services; or
- Have health insurance, but have not been able to get screened or get needed follow-up testing.

Services offered

- Clinical breast exam (CBE)
- Mammograms (screening and diagnostic)
- Breast ultrasound and sonogram
- Surgical consultation
- Breast biopsy
- Pap test
- HPV test
- Colposcopy and cervical biopsy
- Patient navigation (services such as help scheduling appointments and follow-up, finding transportation, translation and more)
- Case management

County/City/Jurisdiction	Organization	Telephone
Allegany	Allegany County Health Department	301-759-5083
Anne Arundel	Anne Arundel County Health Department	410-222-6180
Baltimore City	MedStar Harbor Hospital	410-350-3560
Baltimore	Baltimore County Health Department	410-887-3432
Calvert	Calvert County Health Department	410-535-5400, ext. 350
Caroline	Caroline County Health Department	410-479-8080
Carroll	Carroll County Health Department	410-876-4423
Cecil	Cecil County Health Department	419-996-5168
Charles	Charles County Health Department	301-609-9816
Dorchester	Dorchester County Health Department	410-901-8125
Frederick	Frederick County Health Department	301-600-3377
Garrett	Garrett County Health Department	301-334-7694
Harford	Harford County Health Department	410-612-1780
Howard	Howard County Health Department	410-33-16296
Kent	Kent County Health Department	410-7767970
Montgomery	Montgomery County Health Department	240-777-1750
Prince George's	Doctor's Community Hospital	301-324-4968
Queen Anne's	Queen Anne's County Health Department	443-262-4509
Somerset	Somerset County Health Department	443-523-1754
Talbot	Talbot County Health Department	410-819-5628
Washington	Washington County Health Department	240-313-3235
Wicomico	Wicomico County Health Department	410-548-5175
Worcester	Worcester County Health Department	419-632-1100

Additional state-funded programs that provide breast and cervical cancer screening services include:

Baltimore City	University of Maryland Medical System	410-328-4673
St. Mary's	St. Mary's County Health Department	301-475-4394

**Colorectal Cancer Screening Resource List
Cigarette Restitution Fund - Cancer Prevention Education
Screening Treatment Program (CRF-CPEST)**

The programs below provide services to eligible individuals in need of cancer screening and/or treatment. Uninsured or underinsured individuals who meet eligibility criteria may receive assistance paying for their colorectal cancer screening services. Insured individuals who meet eligibility criteria may receive assistance navigating the health care system to ensure completion of their colorectal cancer screening, patient navigation (PN) may include appointment scheduling, reminder calls, transportation, translation, or other services. Specific services may vary by program.

County/City/Jurisdiction	Organization	Telephone
Allegany	Allegany County Health Department	301-759-5091
Anne Arundel	Anne Arundel County Health Department	410-222-7979
Baltimore City	MedStar Harbor Hospital	410-328-8004
Baltimore City	University of Maryland Medical System	410-328-4673
Baltimore	Baltimore County Health Department	410-887-3456
Calvert	Calvert County Health Department	410-535-5400
Caroline	Caroline County Health Department	410-479-8080
Carroll	Carroll County Health Department	410-876-4443
Cecil	Cecil County Health Department	410-996-5168
Charles	Charles County Health Department	301-609-6843
Dorchester	Dorchester County Health Department	410-901-8173
Frederick	Frederick County Health Department	301-600-3317
Garrett	Garrett County Health Department	301-334-7772
Harford	Harford County Health Department	410-612-1780
Howard	Howard County Health Department	410-313-6115
Kent	Kent County Health Department	410-778-7970
Montgomery	Montgomery County Health Department	240-777-1848
Prince George's	Doctors' Community Hospital	240-542-3380
Queen Anne's	Queen Anne's County Health Department	443-262-4508
St. Mary's	St. Mary's County Health Department	301-475-4394
Somerset	Somerset County Health Department	443-523-1746
Talbot	Talbot County Health Department	410-819-8067
Washington	Washington County Health Department	240-313-3290
Wicomico	Wicomico County Health Department	410-548-5175
Worcester	Worcester County Health Department	410-632-1100

Listing in this publication of a specific product, services, process, firm or corporation name external to the Maryland Department of Health is for the information of the public and does not imply endorsement or recommendation by the Maryland Breast and Cervical Cancer Program.

A

***African Women's Cancer Awareness Association**

Provides cancer education, outreach, patient navigation, translation, and transportation assistance to female African immigrants in need of cancer screening, diagnostic services and treatment. Financial assistance is available.

www.awcaa.org

301-565-0420

***Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation**

Provides travel funds (up to \$2,000) for families of children with cancer who must travel to receive treatment. Funds are only available for patients traveling to specific hospitals. Family income must be \$75,000 or less. Also offers a free Cancer Treatment Journal to track medications, appointments, expenses, test results, etc.

www.alexlemonade.org

1-866-333-1213

***All Shades of Pink**

Provides pink blankets to breast cancer patients at 5 hospitals in the Prince George's (PG) County, D.C. and Baltimore areas. Utility assistance for PG residents. Also offers free breast cancer coloring book for children 5-12 and exercise programs.

www.asopinc.org

301-356-4688

***American Breast Cancer Foundation**

Provides vouchers for mammograms, breast ultrasound, surgical consults, biopsies. Income up to 300% poverty.

www.abcf.org

410-730-5105

***American Cancer Society**

Provides educational material, transportation, wigs, support programs, and an extensive resource list.

www.cancer.org

1-800-ACS-2345 (227-2345)

American Childhood Cancer Organization

For parents: provides educational books and programs, 24-hour online peer support, and has an online app to help manage medical information. For Kids: Provides books, medical play kit, stuffed animal, hero beads, and comfort kit and journal.

<http://www.acco.org>

1-855-858-2226

American Organ Transplant Association

Financial assistance for transportation to and from the transplant center for evaluation, surgery and aftercare. Medication assistance.

www.aotaonline.org

832-930-2682

***Andre Sobel River of Life Foundation**

Works through children's hospitals to provide emergency funds to single parents of children with catastrophic illnesses. Provides funds for housing, insurance, utilities, transportation, food, wigs airline tickets so grandparents can visit, etc. Responses within 24 hours. Must apply through hospital social worker.

www.andrerivroflife.org

310-276-7111

Angel Flight Mid-Atlantic

Arranges free long distance travel for medical evaluation, diagnosis or treatment for independently mobile adults and children.

www.angelflightmidatlantic.org

757-318-9174

Assistance Fund

Provides financial assistance for incidental medical expenses, copays and insurance premiums for people with specific diseases.

www.tafcares.org

1-855-845-3663

B

Benefits CheckUp (National Council on Aging)

Matches adults over 55 with programs that can help pay for medications, food, utilities, health care, in-home services, housing, etc.

www.benefitscheckup.org

202-479-1200

***The Bone Marrow Foundation**

Provides financial assistance for costs associated with transplants, such as donor searches, compatibility testing, bone marrow harvesting, medications, home and child care services, medical equipment, transportation, cord blood banking, housing, and other expenses associated with the transplant. Also provides scholarships for transplant survivors, support line, list of approved transplant centers, and educational materials.

www.bonemarrow.org

1-800-365-1336

Bone Marrow Transplant Information Network

Provides information about bone marrow transplantation, patient handbooks, one-on-one patient support, list of transplant centers, video library, and resource directory.

www.bmtinfonet.org

1-888-597-7674

Bonnie J. Addario Lung Cancer Foundation

Provides education, resources, one-on-one and online support for lung cancer patient and their families. Also publishes a Patient Handbook, "Navigating Lung Cancer, 360 Degrees of Hope."

www.lungcancerfoundation.org

650-598-2857

***Breast Cancer Awareness of the Cumberland Valley**

Educational materials, outreach, grants, support group, wigs, prosthesis, assistance with basic living costs (not medical or

prescriptions), mammograms and ultrasounds, gift cards for a meal after chemo or radiation. Awards scholarships to residents of Western Maryland., Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia and Franklin and Fulton Counties of Pennsylvania whose lives have been impacted by breast cancer through having yourself, parent, relative, or friend diagnosed with breast cancer or who have lost a parent, relative, or friend to breast cancer.

www.bcacv.org
1-800-963-0101

*** Breast Cancer Charities of America**

Provides grants up to \$1,000 for breast cancer patients in need of emergency financial assistance for rent, mortgages or utilities. The Feeling Beautiful Again Program offers a cancer beauty basket with beauty supplies and educational materials.

www.thebreastcancercharities.org
1-936-231-8460

***Breast Health Fund**

Provides mammograms for Carroll County women ages 35-40 who have symptoms of breast cancer. Eligibility requirements apply. 410-876-4423

***Brenda Melling Fund**

Provides financial assistance for cancer patients 18 -40 to cover insurance copays, temporary housing, transportation, car insurance, groceries, etc. Average grant is \$500.

www.bmcf.net
1-800-878-9184 (Fax)



***Cancer Care**

Provides resource materials, Financial assistance up to \$750 for homecare, childcare, transportation, chemo, and hormonal therapy, drugs for pain and nausea, and durable medical equipment.

www.cancercare.org
1-800-813-4673

***Cancer Care Copayment Assistance Foundation**

Provides up to \$10,000 per year in co-payment assistance to eligible individuals with the following diagnoses: colon or colorectal, gastric, glioblastoma, and pancreatic cancer.

www.cancercarecopay.org
1-866-552-6729

Cancer Hope Network

Matches cancer patients and their loved ones with train volunteer cancer survivors who have undergone and recovered from a similar cancer experiences.

www.cancerhopenetwork.org
1-877-467-3638

Cancer Financial Assistance Coalition

Educates patients and providers about existing resources and provides an online searchable directory of financial assistance by cancer diagnosis, type of assistance needed and location.

www.cancerfac.org

***Cancer in the Family Relief Fund**

Provides grants to children whose parents or guardian is struggling with a diagnosis of cancer. These grant of up to \$500 support children's extracurricular activities so that they may feel some sense of normalcy as their parent focuses on treatment and recovery.

www.cancerfamilyrelieffund.org

Cancer Information Service/ National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Provides accurate, up-to-date and reliable information on cancer that is easy to understand. Trained information specialists provide personalized responses to a range of cancer questions including how to get a second opinion, find cancer treatment centers, mammography facilities, other cancer organizations and cancer related services. Offers booklets and fact sheets for distribution to the public (most are online) and maintains a list of resources.

www.cancer.gov/contact/contact-center
1-800-4-CANCER
(1-800-422-6237)

Cancer Legal Resource Center

Provides information and education about cancer-related legal issues to the public.

www.cancerlegalresourcecenter.org
1-866-843-2572

Cancer.Net

The American Society of Clinical Oncology's patient information website helps people with cancer and their families better understand the disease, it's causes and its treatment. Provides information, tools and resources to help patients managed the financial impact of a cancer diagnosis.

www.cancer.net
888-651-3038

***Cancer Resource Foundation**

Provides financial assistance for genetic testing for those that meet National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) guidelines for testing. Financial assistance is also available for post-mastectomy garments, breast forms, free radiation bra, and lymphedema supplies. Each program has specific eligibility guidelines.

www.cancer1source.org
508-630-2242

***Cancer Support Foundation**

Provides emotional support, eviction prevention, referrals to existing programs and advocacy. Provides financial assistance for medical and non-medical expenses, and utilities.

www.cancersupportfoundation.org
410-964-9563

Cancer Survivors' Fund

Provides scholarships for young cancer survivors. Also provides assistance towards the cost of prostheses and artificial limbs for children and young adults. Eligibility requirements vary depending on the program.

www.cancersurvivorsfund.org
281-437-7142

Caregiver Action Network

Provides information and support for caregivers.

www.caregiveraction.org
202-454-3970

CaringOn

Provides short breaks for caregivers of terminally ill cancer patients such as lunch out, a day at

the spa, or a weekend trip. If needed they will also provide care for the patient while the caregiver is away.

www.caringon.org

CASA

Provides a multilingual health hotline and medical interpreter program, assistance with enrolling in health insurance programs and a health promoter "promotora" program to combat cancer and other health risks.

www.wearecasa.org

301-270-8432 Health Hotline

Catastrophic Health Planners

Provides information and referrals for insurance, legal services, counseling case management etc. Some services are free others at reduced rates.

www.chp1.org/

410-871-0751

Catholic Charities

Offers health and behavior health services, social services, and health education. Operates Esperanza Center.

www.catholiccharities-md.org

667-600-2000

Centro De la Comunidad

Provides comprehensive support services, including health care for Hispanic/Latino families.

41 0- 675-8906 (Baltimore)

301-587-7217 (Silver Spring)

Cervivor

A community, learning tool, advocacy resources and an online retreat for cervical cancer survivors to heal, connect and thrive.

<http://cervivor.org/>

***Children's Leukemia Research Association**

Provides copay assistance up to \$1500 for adults and children with leukemia to cover office visits, routine exams, blood tests and diagnostic testing, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, IVIG therapy, some drugs.

www.childrensleukemia.org

516-222-1944

212-419-1200

Cleaning for a Reason

Provides free house cleaning for women with cancer.

www.cleaningforareason.org

1-877-337-3348

***Clarity Foundation**

Provides ovarian cancer patients and their physicians with Tumor Blueprints, allowing them to identify treatments that match their individual disease and may therefore be more effective than other options. Provides financial assistance to cover the cost of the molecular testing if insurance does not cover it or if assistance with co-payments is needed.

www.clarityfoundation.org

1-858-657-0282

***Colon Cancer Alliance**

Provides colorectal cancer patients with one time grants of up to \$300. Offers a Buddy program and clinical trials matching service.

www.ccalliance.org

1-877-422-2030

***Colorectal Care Line (Patient Advocate Foundation)**

A staff of clinical case managers with both nursing and social work background provide individualized service to colorectal cancer patients, their caregivers and providers who are seeking education, information and access to care. Provides case management services to uninsured patients, including assisting with enrollment into Medicaid and/or charity care programs, when appropriate.

www.colorectalcareline.org

1-866-657-8634

***Critters for the Cure**

Provides financial assistance to women currently in treatment for breast and/or gynecological cancer who live in Maryland, Virginia or Washington, D.C. Funds may be used to cover acupuncture, scarves, wigs, and anti-nausea medications, as well as transportation to treatment, daycare, medical co-payments, rent assistance, utilities, and even dog walkers. CFTC does not pay medical bills.

<http://crittersforthecure.org/>

301-977-3776

Cutaneous Lymphoma Foundation

Provides educational materials and programs, emotional support and will answer personal questions.

www.clfoundation.org

248-644-9014

D

Dream Foundation

Serves terminally-ill adults and their families by providing end-of-life dreams that offer inspiration, comfort and closure.

www.dreamfoundation.org

1-888-4DREAMS

(1-888-437-3267)

Diagnostic Works

Negotiates prices with local imaging centers for reduced cost procedures such as mammograms, MRIs, PET scans, x-rays, etc.

www.diagnosticworks.com

973-451-9473

E

F

***Family Reach**

Provides financial assistance to families with cancer to cover mortgage or rent, transportation, utilities, every day expenses and uncovered medical expenses. Funds are used to support families with a child (aged 17 or younger) fighting pediatric cancer, young adults (aged 18 to 30) living with cancer, as well as parents living with cancer who have young children (aged 17 or younger). The patient or family must be represented by a social worker or resource manager who can serve as a liaison with Family Reach and verify the patient's or family's financial needs and the patient's medical information.

<http://familyreach.org/>

973-394-1411

First Call for Help

Provides callers with free, confidential service and connects them with health and human services.

www.211md.org

211

***First Hand Foundation**

Provides financial assistance for children age 18 and under for health needs not covered by insurance including clinical necessities, medical equipment, travel expenses related to the child's care, and vehicle modifications. Child must be under the care of a pediatrician. Income limit varies by number of children/family size.

www.firsthandfoundation.org
816-201-1569

FORCE – Facing Our Risk Empowered

Provides educational information about hereditary breast, ovarian cancer, and related cancers, a Baltimore area support group, patient navigation services, message board, helpline, and clinical trials recruitment.

www.facingourrisk.org
1-866-288-7475

For 3 Sisters

Their Road to Resources Program provides breast cancer patients with a Resource Case Manager (RCM) who will work to identify local, state, and regional resources, complete paperwork, liaise with your doctor's office, cover costs associated with printing and postage and perform necessary follow-up regarding status.

www.f3s.org
301-812-9003

Foundation for Women's Cancer

Increases the public awareness of gynecologic cancer risk awareness, prevention, early detection and optimal treatment. Offers education and resources including survivor courses and telephone workshops.

www.foundationforwomenscancer.org
312-578-9769

***Friends 4 Michael**

Provides financial assistance for children under 18 diagnosed with brain cancer. Covers specific non-medical costs up to \$500/year.

www.friends4michael.org
845-401-889

***Friends of Man**

Provides assistance for mobility equipment, medical equipment, medical procedures, hearing aids, dentures, glasses, prescriptions,

cost of COBRA /health insurance, daycare, etc. Must be referred by health care provider, clergy, social worker.

www.friendsofman.org
303-798-2342



Get Empowered – Life, Living & Follow-up Care After Childhood Cancer

Offers collection of online videos discussing the impact and long-term side effects of childhood cancer.

www.cancer.northwestern.edu/empowered

Good Days (formerly Chronic Disease Fund)

Provides financial support for patients who cannot afford needed medication and treatment. Good Days works directly with pharmacies and doctors to pay for patient's out-of-pocket expenses. The Travel Concierge Program helps facilitate a patient's access to healthcare whenever travel is required. Patients must have valid Social Security number, private insurance or Medicare D and be unable to pay copays, income no greater than 500% Federal Poverty Level.

www.mygooddays.org
1-877-968-7233

Governor's Wellmobile

Provides adult primary care to low income Maryland residents in a sliding fee basis. Locations and sites vary from day to day.

www.nursing.umaryland.edu/about/partnerships-practice/community-service/

410-706-1399
1-866-228-9668



Hair to Stay

Offers grants up to \$1,000 to offset the expense of scalp cooling systems to prevent hair loss due to chemotherapy for solid tumors.

Patients must be treated in the US

and income limit 300% Federal Poverty Level.

www.hairtostay.org/
1-800-270-1897

***Healthcare Hospitality Network, Inc.**

Provides free or significantly reduced cost lodging and support services to patients, families, and their loved ones who are receiving medical treatment far from their homes.

www.hhnetwork.org
1-800-542-9730

***HealthWell Foundation**

Provides financial assistance for patients living with chronic and life-altering illnesses to pay their share of prescription drug copayments, deductibles and health insurance premiums. Eligible diseases may vary during the year.

www.Healthwellfoundation.org
1-800-675-8416

***Hirshberg Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research**

Provides patient and caregiver materials and resources for children's programs and emotional support. Limited financial assistance for pancreatic cancer patients is available through Cancer Care at 1-800- 813-4673 (ask for the Hirshberg Pancreatic Program).

www.pancreatic.org
310-473-5121

Hope Connections for Cancer Support

Offers support groups, educational and exercise programs, and social activities for cancer patients in Bethesda and Landover, MD.

www.hopeconnectionsforcancer.org
301-634-7500

***Hope For Young Adults with Cancer**

Provides financial assistance for young adults 18-40 undergoing treatment or within five years post treatment, as well as social and fitness programs.

www.hope4yawc.org/

HopeWell Cancer Support

Offers services for cancer patients, their families and caregivers including support groups for adult, teenagers and children; exercise programs; art therapy; mediation; nutrition; bereavement groups; and

social activities. Located in Baltimore County.
www.hopewellcancersupport.org
410-832-2719

***Hopkins Breast Cancer Inc.**
Provides financial assistance for men and women with breast cancer living in metro D.C.
www.hopkinsbcinc.org
301-755-6253

***Hugs and Kisses**
Provides financial aid to cancer patients in dire need.
www.hugsandkissesinc.org
561-819-9471

I

***It's in the Genes**
Helps educate and link women to free mammograms in MD, VA or D.C.
www.itsinthegenes.com
301-683-8690

J

***Jill Fox Memorial Fund**
Provides financial assistance to patients with unmet medical needs. Requires referral from a health care provider or social worker.
www.jillfoxfund.org
410-369-9322

The Journey Continues: Breast Cancer Support Organization
Helps breast cancer survivors thrive through their journey from diagnosis to survivorship through C.A.R.E: Comfort, Advocacy, Resource and Education. Holds monthly breast cancer peer support group meetings in Baltimore City.
www.tjccares.org/
443-406-TJC1 (8521)

K

***Kelly's Dream**
Provides some financial assistance to cancer patients.
www.kellysdream.net
410-256-7017

***Kidney and Urology Foundation**
Provides small emergency grants up to \$100/years for patients with kidney & bladder diseases. Also provides scholarships for survivors. Applications must be requested by a social worker.
www.kidneyurology.org
1-800-633-6628

***Kristy Lasch Miracle Foundation**
Provides financial assistance to women under 30 living with breast cancer for medical expenses only.
www.kristylasch.org
412-872-4125

L

***Leukemia and Lymphoma Society**
Provides financial assistance for chronic myeloid leukemia patients. The Co-Pay Assistance Program provides financial assistance for health insurance premiums including Medicare Part B and D Medicare Advantage and Medicare Supplements, Medicaid Spend-down and assistance with drug co-pays. Income must be less than 500% Federal Poverty Level, U.S. citizenship or permanent resident required.
www.lls.org
443-471-1600 (Maryland Chapter)
1-800-955-4572

***LIVESTRONG Fertility**
Provides free fertility medications for women and provides access to discounted sperm, embryo and egg freezing services through a national network of reproductive clinics and sperm bank partners. Eligibility requirements vary.
www.livestrong.org/we-can-help/livestrong-fertility
1-855-844-7777

***LIVESTRONG**
Navigation program provides free, personalized support for the practical, physical and emotional concerns that people face when dealing with a cancer diagnosis. Provides free Guidebook, a two-book set that contains information and resources to address specific concerns that patients, loved ones and caregivers often have at the time of diagnosis, during treatment and post-treatment.

www.livestrong.org
1-855-220-7777

Living Beyond Breast Cancer
Educational website about breast cancer. Provides frequent teleconferences, Clinical Trials Resource Center, and Survivors Helpline.
www.lbbc.org
1-855-807-6386

Loan Closets/Durable Medical Equipment
See Maryland Access Point and Maryland Department of Aging

***The Lois Merrill Foundation**
Helps people affected by carcinoid and other rare cancers through funding research for new treatments, providing financial support for patients and their families, and promoting awareness and education. Provides a medical assistance grant less than \$2000.
www.thelmf.com/

Lolly's Locks
Provides free wigs to eligible cancer patients 18 and older living in the U.S. and unable to afford a wig. Also accepts hair donations of at least 8", not dyed or processed in the last months.
www.lollyslocks.org
240-428-1986

LUNGevery
Provides research, education, and support for people with lung cancer. Offers patients extensive educational resources, online peer-to-peer support, and in-person survivorship programs.
www.lungevity.org
844-360-5864

***Lymphoma Research Foundation**
Provides educational programs, chat line, lymphoma helpline, Clinical trials network, webcasts, and a referral for financial assistance., U.S. resident receiving treatment in the U.S.
www.lymphoma.org
1-800-500-9976



Marilyn Westbrook Garment Fund

(National Lymphedema Network) Provides free compression garments - sleeves and compression stockings – for patients experiencing lymphedema. Must receive treatment from NLN affiliated clinic or therapist.
www.lymphnet.org/patients/garment-fund
 1-800-541-3259

Maryland Access Point (MAP)

Provides links to health and support services. Offers a searchable directory to find home health, personal care, transportation, housing, home repairs, and other services that can support you in your home. MAP is a partnership between Area Agencies on Aging and their regional Center for Independent Living organization. Local MAP offices are located in each Maryland jurisdiction.
www.marylandaccesspoint.info
 1-844-MAP-LINK (627-5465)

Maryland Breast and Cervical Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment Program (BCCDT)

Provides breast cancer and cervical cancer diagnosis and treatment services to program eligible Maryland residents. Applicant must have a screening result that requires a diagnostic work-up and meet income guidelines. The program pays for a diagnostic workup and treatment for breast and cervical cancer treatment. It does not pay for Pap tests.
https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/cancer/pages/bccdt_home.aspx
 410-767-6787
 1-800-477-9774

Maryland Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program

Provides breast and cervical cancer screening for uninsured or underinsured women who: meet income guidelines, are Maryland residents, and are 40 to 65 years of age. Women 65 years of age or older who meet program guidelines and do not have Medicare Part B can enroll in BCCP. In addition to screening services, most local

programs provide patient navigation services for insured women who otherwise meet program eligibility requirements. Financial assistance for deductibles, copays, and coinsurance for covered procedures may be available for women who are underinsured. See listing of all programs at the end of the directory.
http://phpa.MDH.maryland.gov/cancer/Pages/mcf_home.aspx
 1-800-477-9773

***Maryland Cancer Fund Treatment Grant**

Available through local health depts. Any 67MDH CCSC funded screening program, Must be Maryland resident for 6 months Pays for treatment or, deductibles, copays and applicant indirect costs. Apply directly to LHD or to a CCSC funded entity.
http://phpa.dhmdh.maryland.gov/cancer/Pages/mcf_home.aspx
 410-767-6213

Maryland Department of Aging

MDoA and the statewide network of 19 Area Agencies on Aging provide programs and services for older adults, individuals with disabilities, and their families.
www.aging.maryland.gov
 410-767-1100
 1-800-243-3425

Maryland Health Connection

Maryland Health Insurance Market Place. Use to apply for Affordable Act approved health insurance policies and Medical Assistance. Applications for insurance can only be submitted during the open enrollment. MA applications are accepted year round.
www.marylandhealthconnection.org
 1-855-642-8572

Maryland Technical Assistance Program (MDTAP)

Connects individuals with disability related equipment to sell or donate with people interested in purchasing items. Can also loan equipment.
www.myatprogram.org

***Mautner Project**

Provides direct client services to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) people with cancer, providing health education and workshops to the community, and educating health

care professionals about the unique health needs of the LGBTQ community.
<http://www.whitman-walker.org/mautnerproject>
 202-797-3570

***The Max Foundation**

Patient Helpline provides patients with blood cancers and rare cancers with advocacy, emotional support, informational referrals and help finding emergency funding.
www.themaxfoundation.org/
 1-888-462-9368

Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland

Provides home meal delivery (hot lunch and cold dinner) Monday – Friday to people who are homebound due to age or disability. Uses a sliding scale to determine the cost of meals.
www.mealsonwheelsmd.org
 410-558-0827
 1-866-558-0827 (National number)

***Melanie Finley Ovarian Cancer Foundation**

Provides financial assistance up to \$500/month for women 35 years old and younger to cover ovarian cancer treatment. Women may be insured or uninsured and apply more than once. Payments are paid directly to provider.
www.mfocf.com
 215-821-5225

***Men Against Breast Cancer**

Provides targeted support services that educate and empower men to be effective caregivers when cancer strikes. Mammography Program provides low income, uninsured and underserved women with screening services.
www.menagainstbreastcancer.org
 1-866-547-6222

***Meredith’s Miracles Colon Cancer Foundation**

Provides financial assistance for living expenses for colon cancer patients under the age of 40. Referral by health professional is required. Also grants to offset the cost of colonoscopies for people who are symptomatic.
<http://merediths-miracles.org/>
 765-722-0302

Metastatic Breast Cancer Alliance

Alliance of 29 organizations dedicated to the needs of men and women with metastatic breast cancer. Provides education, advocacy and support. Publishes Guide for the Newly Diagnosed – Metastatic Breast Cancer.
www.mbcn.org
1-888-500-0370

METAvivor

Dedicated to those living with stage 4 metastatic breast cancer (MBC). Provides vital research funds to help improve the longevity and quality of life for MBC patients. Also provides links to peer-to-peer support groups and advocacy opportunities.
www.metavivor.org/
818-860-1226

***Mission4Maureen**

Provides financial assistance to brain cancer patients for everyday living expenses such as gas, electric, rent, mortgage payments and food.
www.mission4maureen.org
440-840-6497

Moveable Feast

Provides nutritional counseling and home delivery of up to 18 meals per week for homebound men and women with severe illness. Referral by primary care provider is required
www.mfeast.org
410-327-3420

***My Hope Chest**

Facilitates and funds reconstructive surgery for those who cannot afford it.
www.myhopechest.org
727-488-0320

***Myriad Reimbursement Assistance Program**

Assists patients with health insurance billing and reimbursement issues for genetic testing through Myriad labs (BRCA 1 and BRCA 2). Offers online support, information about genetic testing. Financial assistance program for BRCA testing and patients receiving 5FU.
www.myriad.com
1-800-469-7423

My Rx Advocate

Provides assistance in securing low cost drugs. Must be low income without prescription insurance.
www.myrxadvocate.com
1-877-331-0362



Natalie Williams Breast Care Foundation

Promotes breast health care among women of color. Presents educational workshops, patient navigation and patient Christmas season gift baskets.
www.supportbreastcare.org/
202-688-0101

National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Provides extensive online information about most cancers, clinical trials, and cancer statistics.
www.cancer.gov
1-800-4-CANCER (Cancer Information Service)

***National Children's Cancer Society**

Provides financial assistance for children with cancer and their families to cover health insurance premiums, lodging, transportation, and gas cards. Also offers a scholarship program, on-line support for parents and educational information.
www.thenccs.org
314-241-1600

National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship (NCCS)

Advocates for changes in how the nation researches, regulates, finances and delivers quality cancer care. Offers cancer survivors publications and programs which provide tools for self-advocacy.
www.canceradvocacy.org
1-877-622-7937

National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

Provides information about hospice and palliative care, advanced care planning and grief and loss.
www.nhpco.org
703-837-1500

***National Lymphedema Network**

Provides information about the prevention and management of

lymphedema, support groups and the Lymphedema Resource Guide. The Marilyn Westbrook Garment Fund provides financial assistance for the purchase of lymphedema sleeves and supplies.
www.lymphnet.org
1-800-541-3259

***National Marrow Donor Program**

Provides financial assistance for patients who are searching for a donor on the Be the Match Registry, or who have had a bone marrow or cord blood transplant with a donor from the registry. Financial assistance from these programs can help pay for the cost of a donor search and for some post-transplant expenses.
<https://bethematch.org/>
1-888-999-6743

***National Organization for Rare Disorders**

Provides education, advocacy assistance, and financial assistance with insurance premiums and copays, diagnostic testing assistance, and travel assistance for clinical trials or consultation with disease specialists.
www.rarediseases.org
1-800-999-6673

National Patient Travel Center

Provides information about all forms of charitable, long-distance medical transportation and provides referrals to all appropriate sources of help available in the national charitable medical transportation network.
www.patienttravel.org
1-800-296-1217

***Needy Meds**

Provides a listing or resources for free or low cost medicines, discount pharmacy programs, camps and scholarships, financial resources, and government programs. Includes discount coupons for prescription and non-prescription drugs.
www.needymeds.org
1-800-503-6897

***Netwish**

Provides financial assistance up to \$200 for those who are able to demonstrate financial need.
www.netwish.org

Nueva Vida

Informs, supports and empowers Latino families in the Washington DC, Baltimore and Richmond metropolitan areas whose lives are affected by cancer, and advocates for and facilitates the timely access to state of the art cancer care, including screening, diagnosis, treatment and high-quality care.
www.nueva-vida.org
 410-916-2150 (Baltimore)
 202-223-9100 (D.C. area)
 1-866-986-3432

O

Ovarian Cancer National Alliance

Provides resources for every stage during the treatment process of ovarian cancer, including survivorship, information about local support and clinical trials. Also hosts a national conference.
www.ovariancancer.org
 1-866-399-6262

***Ovarian Cancer Patient Charity Project**

Provides financial assistance up to \$600/month for patients with ovarian, uterine, cervical, and breast cancer to cover living expenses (rent, utilities,, etc.) medical bills and medications.
<http://ovariancancerpatientcharityproject.yolasite.com/>
 540-357-1054

P

Partnership for Prescription Assistance

Offers a single point of access to more than 475 public and private programs, including about 200 programs offered by biopharmaceutical companies to help low-income, uninsured patients get free or nearly free brand-name medicines.
www.pparx.org

***Patient Access Network Foundation**

Fund to help federally and commercially insured people with specific diseases pay pharmacy

copays of at least \$50/month. Awards range from \$1,500-\$10,000/year. Income limits vary with disease (usually 400-500% Federal Poverty Level). Patient must reside in and be treated in the US.
www.panfoundation.org
 1- 866-316-PANF

***Patient Advocate Foundation**

Provides mediation and arbitration services to patients, providers, family members and caregivers of those dealing with significant medical issues and the impact on their lives. The Financial Aid Fund Division provides small grants to patients who meet financial and medical criteria. Specific funds include, LEISHLine Financial Aid Fund for patients diagnosed with ARDS, TSS, and/or sepsis; Metastatic Breast Cancer Financial Aid Fund, Multiple Myeloma Transportation Financial Aid Fund, and Transportation Financial Aid Fund for metastatic melanoma & metastatic lung cancer patients.
www.patientadvocate.org
 1-800-532-5274

*** Patient Advocate Foundation— Co-pay Relief**

Provides direct financial assistance to insured patients who meet certain qualifications to help them pay for the prescriptions and/or treatments they need. This assistance helps patients afford the out-of-pocket costs for these items that their insurance companies require. Eligibility decisions are made using the patient’s reported income, diagnosis and insurance coverage information.
www.copays.org
 1-866-512-3861

***Patient Services, Inc.**

Provides financial support and guidance for qualified patients with specific, rare chronic diseases. Helps subsidize the costs of health insurance premiums and out of pocket costs (copayments/ coinsurance). Offers a variety of legal services free of charge through the PSI-A.C.C.E.S.S. Program for specific rare disease communities
www.patientservicesinc.org
 1-800-366-7741

Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation

Provides free educational materials about brain tumors, college scholarships, family support programs, and research grants.
www.curethekids.org
 1-800-253-6530

***The Pink Fund**

Provides financial assistance for breast cancer patients in active treatment for up to three months to cover medical expenses. Patient cannot be receiving any type of government assistance, disability, or pension.
www.thepinkfund.org
 1-877-234-PINK

Pro Bono Counseling

Ensures that Maryland families and individuals with limited resources in need of mental health care are linked with licensed mental health professionals who provide care on a volunteer basis at no cost.
www.probonocounseling.org
 410-825-1001
 1-877-323-5800

R

Radiology Imaging Associates

Will perform screening mammograms for \$75 uninsured women at four locations in southern Maryland.
www.riassociates.com
 301-856-6718

***Red Devils**

Provides assistance for women with breast cancer including babysitting, house cleaning, meal preparation, and transportation. Some financial assistance for meds, etc.
www.the-red-devils.org
 1-877-643-0202

***Rofeh Cholim Cancer Society**

Pays health insurance premiums for Jewish cancer patients (and their families) who cannot afford it. Insurance advocacy, tuition grants and peer support. Physician referrals and social workers available. Does not pay copays, deductibles, or for doctor visits.
www.rofehcholim.org/
 718-722-2002

*Provides limited financial assistance

*Rx Outreach

A non-profit pharmacy making medications affordable.
www.rxoutreach.org
1-888-796-1234

S

Sarcoma Alliance

Provides physician referrals, support groups (none in MD), and online peer-to-peer support. *Hand in Hand* Program provides financial assistance up to \$500 for second opinion consultations.
www.sarcomaalliance.org
415-381-7236

Share Network

Provides monthly groceries for just \$21 that include \$40-\$50 worth of basic and healthy groceries, typically made up of 4-5 pounds of frozen protein products, 1-3 grocery items, and 8-9 pounds of fresh produce. Anyone throughout the Washington metropolitan area may buy groceries through SHARE.
www.sharedc.org
301-864-3115
1-800-21-SHARE

Sharsheret

A national not-for-profit organization supporting young Jewish women and their families facing breast cancer. Offers a community of support to women, of all Jewish backgrounds, diagnosed with breast cancer or at increased genetic risk, by fostering culturally-relevant individualized connections with networks of peers, health professionals, and related resources.
<https://sharsheret.org/>
866-474-2774

Shay Sharpe's Pink Wishes

Grants wishes to young women who are diagnosed with terminal breast cancer before the age of 40.
www.shaysharpespinkwishes.org
754-444-7465

*Shirley Robinson Memorial Fund

Provides financial assistance for Washington County residents (and their families) with cancer.
www.shirleyslegacy.com
240-818-9190

*Shore Regional Breast Center

Wellness for Women Program provides free screening mammograms and breast exams for uninsured and underinsured women aged 20 to 39 and over 64, who meet income guidelines.
<http://umshoreregional.org/programs/breast-center/services/wellness-for-women>
410-822-1000

Sisters at Heart

Breast cancer survivor group in Charles County.
301-934-0435

*Sisters in Survival

Provides financial assistance for medications and diagnostic procedures for ovarian cancer patients.
www.sistersinsurvival.org
480-488-2013

*Sisters Network

A National African American breast cancer survivorship organization. Their Breast Cancer Assistance Program (BCAP) provides services to women facing financial challenges. The BCAP program provides financial assistance for but not limited to: medical related lodging, co-pay, office visits and prosthesis. This program also provides free mammograms for those who qualify.
www.sistersnetworkinc.org/
1-866-781-1808

Susan G. Komen

Breast Care Helpline and website provides breast health and breast cancer information, as well as support and counseling to anyone with questions or concerns, information about local organizations and resources that may provide financial assistance and other support services, referrals to low-cost mammography resources, and educational materials.
ww5.komen.org
1-877-GO KOMEN (1-877-465-6636)
Susan G. Komen Maryland
www.komenmd.org
410-938-9980

T

Thyroid Cancer Survivors' Association

Provides online and free educational materials, local support groups, and online support.
www.thyca.org
1-877-588-7904

*Tigerlily Foundation

Offers education and support for young women under age 45 before, during and after breast cancer treatment. Support programs include meals and financial assistance and real-time connection with other young survivors.
<http://tigerlilyfoundation.org/>
1-888-580-6253

*Triple Step Toward the Cure

Provides education, support, and financial assistance to women with triple negative breast cancer. Financial assistance for: meal delivery; emergency funds for rent, groceries, and utilities; transportation related to treatment; housekeeping services; childcare; selected co-pays; and prosthetics & wigs.
www.triplesteptowardthecure.org
510-562-1889
424-258-0313

U

*Ullman Cancer Fund for Young Adults

Provides direct support initiatives that address the unique medical, emotional, financial, educational, and physical needs young adults face during their cancer experience. These include a Patient Navigation program which provides one-on-one support, meet up groups, household assistance – such as yard work, house cleaning, basic home repairs, etc.—a resource directory, National Scholarship program which awards 30 scholarships a year, and the Cancer to 5K training program.
<http://ulmanfund.org/>
410-964-0202

***United Breast Cancer Foundation**

Provides community and personal grants for screening, breast reconstruction, living expenses, unpaid medical and pharmacy expenses, holistic care (yoga, massages, supplements, acupuncture, etc.), and cleaning services. Also offers scholarships for children who lost a parent to breast cancer.

www.ubcf.info

1-877-UBC-4Cure

***United Healthcare Children's Foundation**

Provides financial assistance for medical care not covered by for children 16 years old or younger commercial insurance. Applicants must be 16 years old or younger and live and receive treatment in the U.S. Gross annual family income may not exceed \$50,000 for a family of 2.

www.uhccf.org

1-855-698-4223

United Way

Source for information about local charities 2-1-1 is a free and confidential service to help people find local resources and organizations that may provide financial assistance.

www.unitedway.org

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W

Wellness House of Annapolis

Offers individual and family counseling, support groups (including children with family members who have cancer), summer camps for children with family members who have cancer, healthy living programs, and mind body classes.

www.annapoliswellnesshouse.org

410-267-990-0941

***Where There Is a Need**

Provides scarves and wigs for women and children who have lost their hair due to a medical condition or cancer treatment.

www.wheretheresaneed.org

1-866-803-6095

Women Supporting Women

Provides awareness, education and support to those who are affected by breast cancer. Offers mentoring, local support groups, wigs, hats and scarves, and more. Serves the entire Delmarva Peninsula, and currently have offices in Salisbury and Ocean City, with additional support groups in Crisfield, Cambridge, and Pocomoke.

www.womensupportingwomen.org

410-548-7880

Y

Young Survival Coalition

Provides resources and support to young breast cancer patients and survivors.

www.youngsurvival.org

1-877-972-3030

Z

***Zaching Against Cancer**

Gives scholarships to high school students in Maryland who have either had cancer or have been affected by cancer in some way. The Little Things Program provides funds for services to help cancer patients and their caregivers with prescription assistance, complimentary therapies, transportation, co-payments, entertainment and relaxation and more.

www.zachingagaincancer.org/

443-319-5394

***Zichron Shlome Refuah Fund**

Helps Jewish children and adults stricken with cancer, as well as their immediate families pay for medical expenses, air fare and transportation, housekeeping assistance, referrals, bereavement services, videos, rent, and utilities. Offers referrals, bereavement services, videos, and games.

www.zsrf.org

718-GET-WELL

718-438-9355