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RESOURCES TO HELP CHILDREN, ADOLESCENTS, AND YOUNG ADULTS WITH CANCER

Advocacy / Legal

C-Change

202-756-1600

<http://c-changetogether.org/>

Mission is to eliminate cancer as a public health problem; focuses on advocacy, strategic initiatives and research.

Children's Cause for Cancer Advocacy

202-304-1850

<http://www.childrenscause.org/>

A long, healthy life for every child with cancer. Advocacy for research, resources, and support.

Fetaweb

<http://www.fetaweb.com/>

Parents, advocates, educators and attorneys visit FetaWeb.com to learn effective advocacy skills.

Livestrong Young Adult Alliance

855-220-7777

http://www.livestrong.org/site/c.khLXK1PxHmF/b.2661399/k.71A4/Young_Adult_Alliance.htm

Information and advocacy for young adults with cancer in order to promote research and improve survival rates. Highlight the unique features of the AYA cancer experience with the goal of improving treatments and outcomes.

National Hospice and Palliative Care

1-800-658-8898

<http://www.nhpco.org/>

Advocates for improved care at the end of life and resources to improve the assistance given by other organizations. Also, offers education and conferences about quality end-of-life care to patients and families.

Wrightslaw

<http://www.wrightslaw.com/>

Up-to-date information about special education law and advocacy for children with disabilities

All-Encompassing Resources & Miscellaneous

Air Charity Network

877-621-7177

<http://www.aircharitynetwork.org/>

Provides transportation to patients traveling for treatment.

American Cancer Society (ACS)

1-800-ACS-2345

<http://www.cancer.org/>

The American Cancer Society is a nationwide community-based voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy, and service.

American Childhood Cancer Organization

855-858-2226

<http://www.acco.org/>

Our mission is to provide information and support for children and adolescents with cancer and their families, to provide grassroots leadership through advocacy and awareness, and to support research leading to a cure for all children diagnosed with this life-threatening disease.

Angel Flight East (AFE)

215-358-1900

<http://angelflighteast.org/>

The mission of Angel Flight East is to provide free air transportation to qualified patients and their families by arranging flights to distant medical facilities, delivering supplies to disaster areas, and reuniting families during desperate times.

Century Ambulance Service, Inc.

904-356-2828

Brandon.carter@casjax.com

<http://www.casjax.com/>

Medical transportation and non-medical transportation. Residence and healthcare facility-based transport.

Child Cancer Fund

904-396-4223

<http://www.childcancerfund.org/>

Dedicated to providing emotional, practical, educational, and financial support to families of children battling childhood cancer. Core programs include a Child Life Specialist position at Nemours Children's Specialty Care, Financial Assistance program for non-medical household bills, provides doctor recommended materials, and a family retreat weekend.

Childhood Leukemia Foundation

1-732-920-8860

<https://www.clf4kids.org/>

Offers free support services to kids with childhood leukemia across the united states. These services range from support binders, baskets full of toys, or even iPad so a child can keep connected with family members.

Childhood Cancer Society

<http://www.childhoodcancersociety.org/>

To provide comfort and love to patients battling a childhood cancer through support and gifts.

Children's Brain Tumor Foundation

866-228-4673

<https://www.cbtf.org/>

To improve the treatment, quality of life and long term outlook for children with brain and spinal cord tumors through research, support, education and advocacy to families and survivors.

Cleaning For a Reason

877-337-3348

<http://www.cleaningforareason.org/>

Provides free housecleaning for women that are going through cancer. Offers cleanings once per month for four months while they are undergoing treatment.

Community Hospice of Northeast Florida

904-407-6500

<http://www.communityhospice.com/>

Provides compassionate guidance and care to help those with advanced illness and their families to live better and improve quality of life.

Crazy Sexy Cancer

<http://crazysexcancer.com/>

Documentary film of a 31-year-old woman diagnosed with a rare incurable cancer and films the story her life. Taking a seemingly tragic situation and turning it into a creative expression.

Corporate Angel Network

914-328-1313

<http://www.corporateangelnetwork.org/>

Provides free flights to cancer patients that are going to their treatments on corporate jets.

CureSearch

800-458-6223

<http://www.curesearch.org/>

Represents the Children's Oncology Group (COG) and the National Childhood Cancer Foundation (NCCF). Supports lifesaving research and helps raise awareness of the importance of cancer clinical trials. Provides online information on types of childhood cancer and treatments.

Emmanuel Cancer Foundation

908-322-4323

<http://www.emmanuelcancer.org/>

The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation is New Jersey's oldest free, in-home, counseling and support agency. ECF provides services to any New Jersey family whose child has been diagnosed with cancer.

Friends of Karen

914-277-4547

<http://www.friendsofkaren.org/>

Dedicated to providing emotional, financial and advocacy support to children with life-threatening illnesses and their families. Serves children from birth to 21 who are diagnosed with any life-threatening illness and living in the New York metropolitan area, including all of New York City (Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island, Queens), Long Island (Nassau, Suffolk), Westchester, Rockland, Putnam, Dutchess, Sullivan, Orange and Ulster Counties, northern New Jersey (Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Passaic, Union), and Fairfield County, Connecticut.

Gilda's Club South Jersey

609-926-2699

<http://www.gildasclubsouthjersey.org/>

A place where men, women and children living with cancer, together with their families and friends, can join with others to build social and emotional support as a complement to medical care. Free of charge and nonprofit, Gilda's Club offers support and networking groups, lectures, workshops, and social events in a nonresidential, home-like setting.

Give Hope Foundation<https://givehopefoundation.org/>407-961-9973

Provide support to children and families in Central Florida who are battling childhood cancer and have a unique combination of medical, emotional and financial needs.

Gabriel House of Care

904-821-8995

<http://www.gabrielhouseofcare.org/>

Provides affordable long-term lodging for cancer patients and caregivers who come from outside of Jacksonville to receive cancer treatments at area hospitals and clinics.

Hope Lodge

800-227-2345

<https://www.cancer.org/treatment/support-programs-and-services/patient-lodging/hope-lodge.html>

Sponsored by the American cancer society, the hope lodge offers free housing for cancer patients undergoing treatment so that guests can focus on getting well.

Hugs of Hope

229-561-0840

<http://hugsofhope.org/>

Provides social, emotional, spiritual, educational, and financial support to families affected by pediatric cancer in Lowndes county and South Georgia.

Hyundai Hope on Wheels: Helping Kids Fight Cancer<https://hyundaihopeonwheels.org/>

Mission is to find a cure for childhood cancer one handprint at a time.

Jacksonville Children's Commission

904-630-3647

<http://jaxkids.org/>

An organization that provides comprehensive afterschool programs, mentor sessions, health and nutrition programs, and resources for healthy parent lifestyles. This is an all-encompassing resource for families in the Jacksonville area.

The Jimmy Fund

<http://www.jimmyfund.org/>

Supports the fight against cancer at Dana-Farber.

Lance Armstrong Foundation (LAF)

855-220-7777

<http://www.livestrong.org/>

Inspires and empowers people affected by cancer. Helps people with cancer focus on living. Believes unity is strength, knowledge is power, and attitude is everything. Provides the practical information and tools people with cancer need to live life on their own terms. Serves its mission through advocacy, public health, and research.

Learning Disabilities Association of America

412-341-1515

<http://www.ldanatl.org/>

Started by parents, the association offers parents information on learning disabilities, negotiating the special education process, and helping your child and yourself. Includes an online training course about the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS)

The Information Resource Center (IRC)

800-955-4572 (Mon-Fri, 9 AM to 6 PM EST)

<http://www.lls.org/>

Committed to providing information, support, and guidance to people living with blood cancers and to the health professionals involved in their care. The Society provides ongoing educational programs, printed materials, and videos for children, parents, and educators. Services include the IRC, a call center staffed with social workers, nurses, and health educators who offer callers up-to-date, accurate disease-related information. Includes a network of chapters throughout the United States and Canada. To locate a chapter near you, visit the website or call the toll-free number.

Mattie's Mission

912-338-0623

<http://Mattiesmission2013@gmail.com>

Offers financial, spiritual, and emotional assistance to families directly affected by childhood cancer. Located in Waycross, Georgia.

National Association of Hospital Hospitality Houses, Inc

800-542-9730

<http://www.nahhh.org/>

Provides lodging and support services to patients, families and their loved ones who are receiving medical treatment far from home.

National Cancer Institute

1-800-4-CANCER

<http://www.cancer.gov/>

Provides general cancer information. Includes the latest cancer research news and help for finding clinical trials.

The National Children's Cancer Society

314-241-1600

<https://thenccs.org/>

Provides financial and in-kind assistance, advocacy, support services and education

National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship

877-622-7937 (toll free)

<http://www.canceradvocacy.org/>

Advocates at the federal level for quality cancer care and empowers cancer survivors by providing credible and accurate patient information such as the *Cancer Survival Toolbox* (Available at:

<http://www.canceradvocacy.org/toolbox/>)

Center for Parent Information and Resources

<http://www.parentcenterhub.org/>

Provides resources regarding testing accommodations for individuals with disabilities.

Real Time Cancer

709-579-7325 (REAL)

<http://www.youngadultcancer.ca/>

An initiative of Young Adult Cancer - Canada

Online community and information on Montreal Retreat, all geared toward ages 15-30

Ronald McDonald House Charities

212-639-0100 (RMHC of the New York Tri-State Area)

<http://www.rmhc.org/>

RMHC offers three core programs:

Ronald McDonald House - provides a home away from home for families of seriously ill children receiving treatment at nearby hospitals

Ronald McDonald Family Room - extends the comfort of the Ronald McDonald House into the hospital by providing a place to enjoy a meal, talk with other parents and relax

Ronald McDonald Care Mobile - brings cost-effective, high-quality medical, dental and health education services directly to underserved children in rural and urban areas across the globe

Starlight Starbright™ Children's Foundation

310-479-1212

<http://www.starbright.org/>

Creates innovative, media-based programs that help seriously ill children and teens better cope with their disease — and enhance their quality of life. Offers free CD-ROMs and online communities of information and support for kids and parents.

Still Strong Foundation

<https://stillstrongfoundation.org/>

The Still Strong Foundation currently supports families with children being treated at certain hospitals with financial assistance: Rent, Mortgage, Utilities, Bills, Childcare and Travel Expenses to and from the hospital.

Tom Coughlin Jay Fund Foundation

1-866-538-6331 (toll free)

<http://www.tcjayfund.org/>

Mission is to help families tackle childhood cancer by providing comprehensive financial, emotional and practical support. Target population is children and young adults, ages 0-22 years old that are currently undergoing treatment. Serves families who are permanent residents of the following:

- North Florida – Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Clay, Columbia, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns, or Union Counties
- South Georgia – Camden, Charlton, Clinch, Glynn or Ware Counties
- The five boroughs of New York City (Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, & Staten Island)
- New Jersey - Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Passaic and Union Counties

Tomorrows Children’s Fund

551-996-5500

www.tcfkid.org

Provides financial, educational, and emotional support as well as social work and psychological services

The Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults

888-393-FUND (888-393-3863)

<http://www.ulmanfund.org/>

Addresses areas of cancer support, advocacy, and education for young adults dealing with cancer. Connects young adults affected by cancer. Offers financial assistance through grants and college scholarships.

The Valerie Fund

973-761-0422

<https://www.thevaleriefund.org/index.php>

Mission is to provide support for the comprehensive health care of children with cancer and blood disorders

Wellness House

630-323-5150

<http://www.wellnesshouse.org/>

A house located Hinsdale, IL that provides support and programs for anyone impacted by cancer. They offer counseling, support groups, and fun family activities at no cost to the participants.

Camps, Retreats, and Activities

Art with a Heart

904-306-0390

<http://www.artwithaheart.info/>

Provides personalized fine art experiences that enhance the healing process for patients and their families.

Big Sky Kids

406-586-1781

<http://www.eaglemount.org/>

Outdoor adventure camps (skiing, rafting, etc.) in Montana

Ages 5-23

Camp Boggy Creek

352-483-4200

www.boggycreek.org

Year-round camp serving children with serious illnesses throughout Florida. Offer week long summer sessions for children and family retreat weekends for the whole family

Camp Courage

<http://www.camp-courage.org/>

An outdoor summer camp for children with cancer ages 10-18.

Camp Happy Time – The Valerie Fund

973-761-0422

<https://www.thevaleriefund.org/index.php>

A one week overnight camp experience for any child aged 5- 21 who has or has had cancer, regardless of where they are treated

Camp-Mak-A-Dream

406-549-5987

<http://www.campdream.org/>

Year-round conferences and camps (free of charge) for different adolescent and young adult categories (for teens, siblings, 2+ years out of treatment, etc.), ages ranging from 6-25. In Montana

Camp Safe Haven

800-727-1889

<http://www.havenhospice.org/campsafehaven.aspx>

A camp created by haven hospice that helps children, teens, and families to help cope with the loss of a loved one

Camp Sunshine

207-665-3800

<http://info@campsunshine.org>

A year-round program that provides support and joy to children with life-threatening illnesses and their immediate families. Based in Casco, Maine.

Christina Phipps Foundation

904-233-6162

<http://info@christinaphippsfoundation.com>

A foundation that offers free yoga classes for cancer patients and survivors in Jacksonville.

Deliver the Dream

1-800-687-3732

<http://www.deliverthedream.org/>

A foundation that provides three day retreats for families with a child that has a serious illness or who have recently lost a child.

Dreams Come True

904-296-3030

<http://www.dreamscometrue.org/>

Offers once in a lifetime trips to children with life threatening illnesses in the Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia area.

For Pete's Sake

267-708-0510

<http://takeabreakfromcancer.org/about-us/>

Free, one week excursion for the survivor (24-50) and their main caregiver

First Descents

303-945-2490

<http://www.firstdescents.org/>

Free, one week outdoor adventure (kayaking, hiking, rafting, rock climbing) for young adults (18+) with cancer

Friends of Jaclyn Foundation

1-855-486-3653

<http://info@friendsofjaclyn.org>

Aims to improve the quality of life for children battling pediatric brain tumors and other childhood cancers by pairing them with local high school and college sports teams. Based in New York Area.

Halo Keepers

<http://www.halokeepers.org/>

904-657-6982

Make personalized yarn wigs for patients while going through treatment.

In the Pink

904-372-0029

<http://www.jaxinthepink.com/>

Provide free services, such as wigs, lymphedema sleeves and more to those who qualify.

Kids Together Against Cancer

904-742-2916

<http://info@ktacjax.com>

A team of oncology social workers that comes together to provide workshops and fun activities for children ages 5 to 17 to attend. Provides 5 week workshops, monthly meetings, and One-on-One sessions with social workers.

Live for Today

904-273-4590

<http://www.live-for-today.org/>

Provides young adults, between the ages of 18-35, to experience life adventures, everyday experiences, member support, and healthy living.

Make-A-Wish Foundation of America

800-722-WISH (9474) (toll-free)

<http://www.wish.org/>

Grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy

Next Step

617-864-2921

<http://www.nextstepnet.org/>

Workshops and retreats year-round for teens and young adults with cancer and blood disease

Nighthawk Ranch

<http://www.nighthawkranchcolorado.org/>

A ranch-style summer camp for children with cancer ages 10-18.

On the Tip of the Toes Foundation

418-543-3048

<http://pointedespieds.com/en/index/>

Adventure camps in Canada

Shining Stars Foundation

<http://www.shiningstarsfoundation.org/>

Events, adventures and social outings for children with cancer ages 8-18.

Sky High Hope Camp

<http://www.skyhighhope.org/>

A summer camp for children with cancer and their siblings 8-18.

Special Love, Inc.

888-930-2707

www.speciallove.org

Offers Year-round camps in Virginia and Maryland for ages up to 25

Visit Jacksonville

904-798-9111

<http://www.jaxhealthcenter.com/patients>

Local expert for local accommodations, dining, things to do and additional resources during your treatment.

Vs Cancer Foundation

984-444-9141

<http://info@vs-cancer.org>

<http://www.vs-cancer.org/>

Provide any team, any athlete, any community, the ability to help kids with cancer.

Wapiyapi

<http://www.campwapiyapi.org/>

A summer camp for children with cancer and their siblings ages 6-17.

Wigs for Kids

440-333-4433

<http://www.wigsforkids.org/>

Wigs for Kids is a nonprofit organization providing hair replacement solutions for children affected by hair loss subsequent to medical conditions or treatment procedures.

Educational Programs

Welcome Back: Facilitating the school experience for childhood cancer survivors.

http://www.onehealth.ca/r_alberta_nwt/video_conferences/E101126-HOA.pdf

This live professional education program is held in every chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society especially for schoolteachers, nurses, social workers, guidance counselors and administrators.

South Florida Cancer Association

<http://www.sfca.org/>

Provide cancer-related information, assistance, and support to the undeserved communities of South Florida.

Office of Early Learning

866-357-3239

<http://www.floridaearlylearning.com/>

Offers VPK Specialized instructional services for children that our four years old and have disabilities. Offers services other than the traditional VPK programs.

Six-Step Screening

610-258-3763

<http://EVA@sixstepscreening.org>

<http://www.sixstepscreening.org/>

Early stage oral cancer is often painless and goes undetected. Every dental checkup should include a six-step screening.

Wyzant - Tutoring Services

312-646-6365

www.wyzant.com

An easier way to connect people who need to know with the experts that can teach them.

External Support Groups

Alicia Rose “Victorious” Foundation

856-784-0615

<http://www.victoriousfoundation.org/>

ARVF provides activities, programs and events that enhance the quality of life for teens with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. Successfully partnered with 99 children’s hospitals in 37 states throughout the country, funding 62 Teen Lounges and providing over 12,000 Teen Kits to critically-ill children.

Cancer Care for Young Adults

1-800-813-HOPE (4673)

http://www.cancercare.org/get_help/special_progs/young_adults.php

Counseling and group support, as well as financial resources, for people in their 20s and 30s

Family Nurturing Center of Florida

904-389-4244

<http://www.fncflorida.org/>

Provides classes for parents to create more health relationships for the whole family.

Parents with Hope

904-285-1130

<http://Jaxque@pontevedravalley.com>

A support group for parents suffering from the loss of a child. Meets the first Tuesday of every month in the Ponte Vedra area.

Share

636-947-6164

<http://www.nationalshare.org/>

Offers support groups for those that have experienced the death of newborn.

Young Empowered Survivors

303-477-2161

<http://www.youngempowered.org/>

For women diagnosed before 45 years' old

Meet once a month

Based out of Boulder, CO

Financial Assistance, Insurance & Prescriptions

Andrew McDonough B+ Foundation

302-563-8389

Assitancebepostive.org

<http://bepositive.org/>

Offers financial assistance nationwide to families who are going through cancer diagnosis.

Andre Sobel River of Life Foundation

310-276-7111

<http://info@andreriveroflife.org>

Provides financial assistance to single parent families with urgent everyday expenses. Provides support nationwide. Examples include advocating for airline tickets, buy a wig for a teenager going through chemotherapy or pay for ballet lessons for a neglected sibling.

Caleb's Crusade

239-896-8786

<http://www.calebcrusade.org/>

Supports advocacy, raises awareness for childhood cancer, and directly funds local families in the southwest Florida area.

Cancer Care

800-813-4673

<http://www.cancercare.org/>

Provides financial assistance to those that are currently undergoing cancer treatments as well as paying for Co-payments.

Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund

1-800-335-FUND (3863)

609-292-0600

<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/cicrf/home/>

A financial assistance program for New Jersey families whose children have an illness or condition otherwise uncovered by insurance, State or Federal programs, or other source, such as fundraising

Children's Cancer Cooperative

843-832-8167

<http://www.childrenscc.com/>

A South Carolina non-profit corporation established in 1999 to support the medical and associated costs for treatment of indigent children in the state of South Carolina.

Family Reach

973-394-1411

<http://familyreach.org/>

Provides urgent assistance to families that are fighting cancer. Family reach can cover costs such as mortgage, rent, transportation, utilities, and medical expenses.

Go 4 The Goal

<http://www.go4thegoal.org/>

Mission is to improve the lives of children battling cancer by providing financial support, developing and implementing unique hospital programs, funding innovative research, and granting personal wishes. Based in the New Jersey area.

Healthwell Foundation

800-675-8416

<http://www.healthwellfoundation.org/>

Helps with insurance copays, premiums, and out of pocket costs for a wide variety of cancers.

IronMatt

201-337-3525

<http://www.ironmatt.org/>

To raise the awareness and funds necessary to overcome pediatric brain tumors and to help the affected children and families.

Johnathan Cancer Fund

315-423-7747

<http://www.jonathancancerfund.org/>

An organization that provides financial assistance and fund management for families of children through eighteen years of age suffering from cancer who are being treated in Onondaga County.

Nicki Leach Foundation

904-716-5394

<http://www.nickileach.org/>

Provides high school and college age students, ages 16-25, with cancer the opportunity to enjoy normal or extraordinary activities they may not be able to afford. Funding for car expenses, clothing, and college costs as well as some special funding opportunities.

NJ Family Care

1-800-701-0710

<http://www.njfamilycare.org/default.aspx>

NJ Family Care is a federal and state funded health insurance program created to help New Jersey's uninsured children and certain low-income parents and guardians to have affordable health coverage.

Partnership for Prescription Assistance

1-888-477-2669

<https://www.pparx.org/>

Helps qualifying patients without prescription drug coverage get the medications they need for free or nearly for free.

Patient Advocate Foundation

1-800-532-5274

<http://www.patientadvocate.org/>

A national non-profit organization that seeks to safeguard patients through effective mediation assuring access to care, maintenance of employment and preservation of financial stability. Serves as an active liaison between patients and their insurer, employer and/or creditors to resolve insurance, job retention and/or debt crisis matters relative to their diagnosis.

RX 4 NJ

888-793-6764 (RXFORNJ)

<http://www.rx4nj.org/>

Rx4NJ is a program that connects qualified, low-income people with discount prescription drugs, direct from the pharmaceutical manufacturer.

United Healthcare Children's Foundation

1-855-698-4223

<http://www.uhccf.org/>

provides grants for families with children that have medical needs not covered or not fully covered by their commercial health insurance plan.

For Families/Friends of Those With Cancer

Cancer Support Community

888-793-9355

<http://www.cancersupportcommunity.org/>

Provides free psychological and emotional support to cancer patients and their families.

Forever Jaiden Foundation

904-405-8385

<http://www.foreverjaiden.org/>

[http://info@foreverjaiden.org](mailto:info@foreverjaiden.org)

A foundation that provides resources for siblings that have a brother or sister with cancer. Provides birthday parties, tutoring sessions, awards, and mock interviews.

Grief Haven

310-459-1789

<http://www.griefhaven.org/>

Provides support for the loved ones that have lost a child in the process

Imagine

908-264-3100

<http://www.imaginenj.org/>

info@imaginenj.org

A free year-round children's grief support center that serves NJ children age 3-18 and young adults 18-30 who are grieving the death of a parent or sibling, or who are living with a parent of sibling with a life-altering illness.

Momcology

<http://www.momcology.org/>

Support community for mothers and primary caregivers of children who have been diagnosed with cancer. Provides retreats for moms to relax.

Partnership for Parents

831-422-3002

<http://partnershipforparents.net/>

A support network and online guide for parents of children with serious illnesses

Pediatric Oncology Resource Center

<http://www.acor.org/ped-onc>

A website for parents, friends, and families of children who have or have had childhood cancer

Super Sibs

866-333-1213

<http://www.supersibs.org/>

Support for siblings of those living with cancer, geared toward younger adolescents and children

Too Young To Be Ill...A Practical Survival Guide for Caregivers of Children and Young Adults – a publication of the Patient Advocate Foundation

Available at: <http://www.patientadvocate.org/pdf/pubs/tooyoung.pdf>

Provides information and resources on disability, insurance, access to care, medical records, financial issues, respite care, early intervention, fertility and survivorship

Young Cancer Spouses

<http://www.stupidcancer.org/y/cs/discussions>

Sharing information, support, and experiences with young spouses through online forums (through the Bulletin on website)

Information and Education

2 b me

1-800-395-LOOK

<http://www.2bme.org/>

Information on the physical and social changes that one may go through, includes look good feel better for teens

Band-Aides and Blackboards - Stories from the Front

<http://www.lehman.cuny.edu/faculty/jfleitas/bandaides/stories.html>

Features stories from children, teens, and siblings about living with serious illness

Beyond the Cure

314-241-1600

<http://www.beyondthecure.org/>

Information for survivors of childhood cancer, including insurance, fertility, psychosocial, education, advocacy, employment, and healthy living information

Cancer Resource Guide of North Central Florida

<http://www.cancerresourceguidencf.org/>

Provides cancer patients, survivors, caregivers, and counselors with resources, networking opportunities, education, and financial support opportunities.

Cure Search for Children's Cancer

800-458-6223

<https://curesearch.org/>

Provides information about childhood cancers, treatment options, research, and coping resources. This is a holistic website that offers information about questions a parent or child would have about cancer.

Family Caregiver Alliance

1-800-445-8106

<http://www.caregiver.org/>

Provides a variety of free online resources for family caregivers.

Florida Department of Health

850-245-4444

<http://www.doh.state.fl.us/family/cancer/index>

The Bureau of Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Comprehensive Cancer Control Program provides information and resources for individuals regarding cancer and related topics.

Hospice Foundation of America

800-854-3402

<http://www.hospicefoundation.org/>

The caregiving resource page on their website offers practical tools, reading suggestions, and tips on caregiving for persons near the end of life.

Kidshealth

<http://kidshealth.org/>

Provides information for parents, kids, and teens about children's health and development.

Long-Term Follow-Up Guidelines for Survivors of Childhood, Adolescent, and Young Adult Cancers –

published by Cure Search

<http://www.survivorshipguidelines.org/>

Provides guidelines for the screening and management of late effects related to cancer treatment, Intended for healthcare providers

Remembering Our Babies

<http://www.october15th.com/>

<http://robyn@october15th.com>

Provides information about how to cope with the loss of a newborn and how to create events in memory of a child.

Silent Grief

<http://chinton@silentgrief.com>

<http://www.silentgrief.com/>

Provides information, chat boards, and resources for those that are grieving from the loss of a child.

South Florida Cancer Association

786-319-6912

<http://www.sfca.org/>

Provides financial assistance to pay for screening or treatment and insure that cancer patients have reliable transportation to and from treatment. Also provides cancer related information and promotes public awareness of cancer.

Still Standing Magazine

<http://stillstandingmag.com/>

Offers information and stories from others that have experienced the loss of a child. Gives new information and perspectives to parents who are experiencing the same thing.

National Association for Home Care and Hospice

202-547-7424

<http://www.nahc.com/>

Offers educational materials and information on agencies, hospices, home care aide organizations and medical equipment suppliers.

National Cancer Institute: Caregivers, Family & Friends

1-800-4-CANCER

<http://www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/coping/familyfriends>

Information to help caregivers cope while caring for a loved one with cancer, and also features resources that help individuals with cancer cope with the illness.

New York State Psychological Association

<http://www.nyspa.org/>

Provides a good source of information for those that are dealing with grief from a miscarriage.

Northeast Florida Cancer Control Collaborative

<http://www.nefloridacounts.org/index.php?module=Tiles&controller=index&action=display&alias=NEFCCC>

Provides additional resources for families in northeast Florida who are fighting cancer.

Teens Living With Cancer

585-563-6221

<http://www.teenslivingwithcancer.org/>

Sponsored by Melissa's Living Legacy Foundation. Offers teens a place to get cancer facts, connect with others, and share stories of hope and inspiration.

University of Texas at Austin – K-16 Education Center

1-866-361-UTHS

<http://www.utexas.edu/cee/dec/k16/>

Distance education program serving Texas students who want or need an educational alternative; similar programs may be available in other states.

Vital Options International

1-818-508-5657

<http://www.vitaloptions.org/>

Information and resources for young adults (ages 17 through 40s)

International & Location-Specific Resources

Brendan Borek High Tides Memorial Fund, Inc.

609-967-0100

<http://brendansfund.org/>

A pediatric cancer fund for the residents of Cape May County, NJ. Services range from professional counseling and advocacy programs to financial and material assistance.

Canteen

<http://www.canteen.org.au/>

Information and support for Australians ages 12-24

Children's Chance

803-254-5996

<http://www.childrenschance.org/>

Provides financial assistance for families who have a child with cancer in South Carolina as well as counseling and art programs.

Footprints in the sand foundation

212-546-6293

<http://www.footprintsfoundation.org/>

Provides financial assistance to families living in the Rockland and Bergen counties in the New York area.

Oceans of Love – For Children With Cancer

1-800-368-4385

<http://oceanoflove.org/>

Dedicated to helping Ocean County, NJ children with cancer and their families. Provides financial and emotional support.

Rosepetals

1-973-239-0072

<http://www.rosepetals-hospice.org/>

Dedicated to assisting terminally ill children, and children with all types of illnesses and their families through hospice counseling and assistance with like choices in the New York and New Jersey areas that are experiencing serious illness.

Teenage Cancer Trust

<http://www.teenagecancertrust.org/>

UK site that offers awareness, education, conferences, support networks, etc.

With focus on building teenage unites (13-24) in UK hospitals

Teen Impact Program

323-361-4660

Support groups, retreats, and mentoring programs for ages 6-25
Based out of the Los Angeles Children's Hospital

The Gold Hope Project

<http://goldhopeproject.com/>

This organization works to pair families with a child that has cancer with a photographer to provide a photography session for free.

Online Forums/Support Groups

Bite Me Cancer Cares

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bmccares>

A Facebook group for teen cancer patients only.

Cancer Hope Network

800-552-4366

<http://www.cancerhopenetwork.org/>

Provides support to cancer patients and their families by matching them with trained volunteers who have undergone and recovered from a similar cancer experience.

Group Loop

1.888.793.9355

<http://www.grouploop.org/>

Sponsored by The Wellness Community. Provides online support, information, and resources for teens with cancer and their parents.

Huffington Post

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/claire-mccarthy-md/helping-families-dealing-with-cancer_b_3910052.html

An article about the Do's and Don'ts of helping a family who is dealing with cancer. It talks about what the family is facing and how friends can play a positive role in the family's life.

I'm Too Young for This!

877-735-4673

<http://stupidcancer.org/directories/yaorgs.shtml>

Online forums, plus resources and information for every need (financial aid, counseling, retreats, etc.)

Most comprehensive list of resources for adolescents and young adults

List for retreats/camps in every state

Prepare to Live

<http://www.preparetolive.org/>

Online videos/clips, support groups, stories

Planet Cancer

512-452-9010

<http://www.planetcancer.org/>

An online community for young adults affected by cancer.

Re-Mission

<http://www.re-mission.net/>

Videogame and online community

Starlight Children's Foundation

310-479-1212

<https://www.starlight.org/ourwork>

An online community for chronically ill teens and their siblings

Vital Options TeleSupport Cancer Network

818-508-5657

<http://www.vitaloptions.org/>

An organization that facilitates a syndicated cancer talk show linking callers with patients, long-term survivors, family members, physicians, researchers and therapists.

Scholarships, Financial Aid, & Career Info

Cancer and Careers

<http://www.cancerandcareers.org/>

Resources and information for working women with cancer

Caps Fund, Inc.

845-331-8986

<http://www.capsfund.org/>

To assist families financially in dealing with the complications of cancer.

Hardest Hit Fund

<https://www.treasury.gov/initiatives/financial-stability/TARP-Programs/housing/hhf/Pages/default.aspx>

Hardest Hit funds may vary from state to state, but often help with mortgage payment assistance.

Surviving and Moving Forward: The SAM Fund for Young Adult Survivors of Cancer

617-938-3484

<http://www.thesamfund.org/>

Helps support young adult cancer survivors in the transition from high school to college. Offers financial assistance through grants and scholarships.

Sexuality, Fertility, Pregnancy

Fertile HOPE

877-236-8820

<http://www.livestrong.org/we-can-help/fertility-services/>

Resources and information for cancer survivors faced with infertility

Pregnant with Cancer

1-800-743-4471

<http://www.pregnantwithcancer.org/>

Support (connects women together) and resources for women diagnosed with cancer while pregnant

Site-Specific Resources

A Caring Hand

212-229-2273

<http://www.acaringhand.org/>

provides outreach, group programs, and consultations for family members that have lost a child in the New York area.

Lymphoma Australia

<https://www.lymphoma.org.au/>

A website dedicated to uniting Hodgkin's Lymphoma patients throughout Australia

Children's Brain Tumor Foundation

866-228-4673

<http://cbtf.org/cms/>

Support, education, and advocacy for children with brain and spinal cord tumors to improve treatment, quality of life, and long term outlook

Club

812-430-6379

<http://www.colonclub.com/>

Raises awareness for colon cancer using unique techniques (such as the colossal colon)

Kisses for Kyle

267-210-1489

<http://www.kissesforkyle.org/>

Helps families in the Philadelphia region by providing financial assistance through gift cards and local business services.

Kyle Feel Peace

<http://www.kylepeasefoundation.org/>

Helps families in the Philadelphia region by conducting seminars, providing stress reduction techniques, and providing special activities.

Living Beyond Breast Cancer

855-807-6386

<http://www.lbbc.org/>

Empowering women affected by breast cancer through offered programs and services

Making Headway Foundation Inc.

914-238-8384

<http://www.makingheadway.org/>

Offers support and care through professionals for children with brain and spinal cord tumors before, during, and after surgery

MaleCare

<http://www.malecare.com/>

Information and (support group) resources for men affected by prostate/testicular cancers

Pop Smear

978-744-5300

<http://www.theyellowumbrella.org/>

Raising awareness for cervical cancer through advocacy and concerts

Rethink Breast Cancer

416-920-0980

<http://www.rethinkbreastcancer.com/>

Information, research, support, news and prevention

Rolling to Recovery

812-430-6379

<https://colonclub.com/rolling-to-recovery/>

Resource for young adults with colon cancer

Sean Kimerling Testicular Cancer Foundation

212-986-0892 ext. 5

<http://www.seankimerling.org/>

Information, events, focus on prevention and awareness

Sharsheret

866-474-2774

<http://www.sharsheret.org/>

Young Jewish women living with breast cancer

Information, forum, events

Tamika and Friends

866-595-2448

<http://cervivor.org/>

Cervical cancer and HPV

Awareness, events, support

Young Adults Surviving Glioblastoma

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Young-Adults-Surviving-Glioblastoma-YASGcom/103156533117037?sk=wall>

For young adults with glioblastoma (most aggressive form of brain cancer)

Online forums and chats

Young Survival Coalition

877-972-1011

<http://www.youngsurvival.org/>

Women 40 and under with breast cancer
Advocacy, education, online support

Zane Beadles Parade Foundation

<http://zanesparade.org/>

Started by the Jacksonville Jaguar player, Zane Beadles, and works to support Brent's Place in Aurora Colorado, the UF Proton Therapy Institute in Jacksonville Florida, and the Ronald McDonald House in Salt Lake City, Utah. The foundation works to create new experiences for pediatric cancer patients.

Statistics

Childhood Cancer in New Jersey, 1979-2005, Cancer Epidemiology Services, New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services

Available at: http://www.state.nj.us/health/ces/documents/childhood_cancer_report.pdf

Cancer incidence and mortality data from 1979-2005 for NJ children up to 19 years of age.

National Cancer Institute: SEER: Cancer Epidemiology in Older Adolescents and Young Adults

http://seer.cancer.gov/archive/publications/aya/aya_mono_complete.pdf

Epidemiology for different types of cancer

Statistics for ages 15-29

Treatment & Quality of Life Research

CURE Childhood Cancer

<http://curechildhoodcancer.org/>

CURE focuses entirely on children's cancer efforts and funds the work of some of the best and brightest scientists in the field of pediatric cancer.

Commission on Cancer

312-202-5085

<http://www.facs.org/cancer>

Dedicated to improving the quality of life for cancer patients through standard-setting, prevention, research, education and the monitoring of comprehensive research.

Hope Lab

650-569-5900

<http://www.hopelab.org/>

Research and innovative solutions for chronic illnesses to improve health and quality of life for young adults

Remission Game: www.re-mission.net

Books and Pamphlets

To obtain a copy of these materials, go to www.LLS.org or call the telephone number provided. If only a publisher is listed, you can obtain a copy through your local bookstore.

For children and teens

Henry and the White Wolf, by Tyler and Tim Karu. A book to help children going through the process of hospitalization or chemotherapy.

The Human Body: An Illustrated Guide to its Structure, Function, and Disorders — big, colorful book that helps children learn about their bodies. Useful tool for classroom presentations. Available from DK Publishing Inc.

The Jester Has Lost His Jingle by David Saltzman — a story about finding laughter and happiness inside oneself to help get through challenging times such as a cancer diagnosis. Useful tool for classroom presentations. Published by Jester Books.

Planet Cancer: The Frequently Bizarre Yet Always Informative Experiences and Thoughts of Your Fellow Natives by Heidi Di Adams and Christopher Schultz.

What Is Cancer Anyway? Explaining Cancer to Children of All Ages by Karen L. Carney — in simple terms, provides basic information about cancer in a reassuring way. Published by Dragonfly.

For parents and teachers

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society offers disease specific informational booklets about: Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML), Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia (ALL), Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia (CML), Lymphomas and other blood cancers. All are available at www.LLS.org.

100 Questions & Answers about Your Child's Cancer by William L. Carroll. Published by Jones & Bartlett Publishers, Inc.

Baby Dust by Deanna Roy: Based on the stories of dozens of real survivors, this is a tribute to the strength of mothers who must endure the impossible loss of a baby.

Cancervive Parent's and Teacher's Guide for Children With Cancer — explains social and academic challenges childhood cancer survivors face and outlines strategies for successful school reintegration. Available from www.cancervive.org.

Childhood Cancer Survivors: A Practical Guide to Your Future by Nancy Keene, Wendy Hobbie, and Kathy Ruccione. Published by O'Reilly & Associates, Inc.

Childhood Leukemia: A Guide for Families, Friends & Caregivers by Nancy Keene. Available from www.LLS.org.

Coping with Childhood Leukemia and Lymphoma is available from www.LLS.org

Competing with Cancer, by Shannon Miller. Available as a free eBook at <http://www.shannonmillerlifestyle.com/>

Educating the Child with Cancer: A Guide for Parents and Teachers by Nancy Keene. Available from www.candlelighters.org.

Footsteps Through Grief by Darcie D. Sims

Healing a Parent's Grieving Heart by Alan D. Wolfer

I Didn't Miscarry, she Died by Michelle Walters: A creative expression of what it is like to lose an unborn child and heal from such a loss.

In Company of Angels: A Memorial Book by Casey Shay Press: A book to record each moment during pregnancy for parents who have lost a baby. Important part in the healing process

Learning & Living With Cancer: Advocating for your child's educational needs. Available from <http://www.lls.org/>

Living With Childhood Cancer: A Practical Guide to Help Families Cope by Leigh A. Woznik and Carol D. Goodheart. Published by the American Psychological Association.

Our Child Has Cancer: What Do We Do About School? by Carla Woyak. To order, call 602-300-0831.

Our Children, Our Hearts by Emily Laitmon

The Other Side of Grief by Darcie D. Sims

Pictures of My Journey is a coloring book & activity book for children with cancer. Available from <http://www.lls.org/>

The Stem Cell Transplant Coloring Book is for children with blood cancer who are coping with having a stem cell transplant. Available from www.LLS.org

Young People With Cancer — A Handbook for Parents. Available from www.cancer.gov.

Three Minus One by Sean Hanish: A collection of intimate stories and artwork by parents who have lost a child to stillbirth, miscarriage, or neonatal death.

Why Do Bad Things Happen To Good People by David Arnold: A simple tool that teaches readers that the suffering, distress, and frustration they have encountered are not outside the assistance of God's grace.

When the Bough Breaks by Judith R. Bernstein

Videos

Back to School: Teens Prepare for School Re-entry. Available from <http://www.starbright.org/>.

Emily's Story: Back to School After Cancer. Available from <http://www.cancervive.org/>

I'm Still Me. This videotape for young school aged children features Susan Linn and her puppets talking about childhood leukemia and the fears and concerns of classmates of the child.

Making the Grade: Back to School After Cancer for Teens. This is an 18-minute documentary where teens discuss returning to school after having been diagnosed with cancer. Available from <http://www.cancervive.org/>.

Why, Charlie Brown, Why? This videotape for young school-age children features Charlie Brown characters reacting to a classmate's diagnosis of leukemia. Available in English and Spanish from <http://www.lls.org/>

With a Little Help From My Friends- Living with Leukemia and Lymphoma. This 21-minute documentary is for middle-school-age students. Available from <http://www.lls.org/>