

Financial Assistance Resources

For oncology patients and families

This is a list of financial resources created to support UWMC Oncology patients and their families.



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Copay Assistance and Medication Assistance Programs

CancerCare Co-Payment & Financial Assistance Program

- cancercarecopay.org/eligibility
- This program grants assistance on a first-come, first-served basis and is not always open for new applications.
- Patients call CancerCare directly to be screened for grants.

The HealthWell Foundation

- Visit www.healthwellfoundation.org/eligibility
- The Foundation grants assistance on a first-come, first-served basis and is not always open for new applications.

Needy Meds

- www.needymeds.org
- NeedyMeds is a 501(c)(3) national non-profit that connects people to programs that will help them afford their medications and other healthcare costs.

Prescription Drug Savings Programs

- www.costplusdrugs.com
- www.goodrx.com
- www.rxoutreach.org

University of Washington Medical Center Financial Assistance

- www.uwmedicine.org/financialassistance
- You may qualify for financial assistance (help with medical bills) based on your family size and income, even if you have health insurance.
- Assistance is awarded if you meet the financial assistance guidelines. One requirement is that your household income be 300% or less of the federal poverty level.
- If you have bills from other healthcare organizations, please contact them directly to ask if they have a financial assistance program.

Non-Medical Expenses

The Allyson Whitney Foundation

- www.allysonwhitney.org/grants
- The Allyson Whitney Foundation primarily provides young adult cancer patients (16-36) with “Life Interrupted Grants” to ease their financial burden, so that they can concentrate their energy on healing.

Cancer Financial Assistance Coalition

- www.cancerfac.org
- Online database to look for both medical and nonmedical resources.

Cancer Lifeline Patient Assistance Fund

- cancerlifeline.org/services/financial-assistance-for-cancer-patients
- Seattle area organization providing financial assistance to patients and families who have any type of cancer and are within a 3-month window of active treatment.
- You must live or receive treatment in one of the following counties: Clallam, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Thurston, Wahkiakum, and Whatcom.
- Discuss this with your social worker. They will apply for this grant on your behalf.

Kyle Charvat Fund

- www.kylecharvatfoundation.org/apply.html
- Practical resources for cancer patients between 18-25 years old.

Wish Foundations

The Dream Foundation

- www.dreamfoundation.org/how-to-apply
- Dream recipients live in the U.S. and Puerto Rico, are 18 and older, are diagnosed with a life-limiting illness with a life expectancy of 12 months or less, and lack the resources to fulfill the Dream themselves.

Stella's Wish

- www.stellaswish.org/submit-a-wish
- The goal of Stella's Wish Foundation is to collect charitable donations to grant wishes for terminally ill cancer patients, ages 18 and above.

Case Management Resources

Patient Advocate Foundation Case Management

- www.patientadvocate.org/connect-with-services/case-management-services-and-medcarelines
- Non-profit organization which provides professional case management services to Americans with chronic, life-threatening, and debilitating illnesses. PAF case managers serve as active liaisons between the patient and their insurer, employer, and/or creditors to resolve insurance, job retention, and/or debt crisis matters as they relate to their diagnosis.

Questions?

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or healthcare provider if you have questions or concerns.