

Financial Assistance Resources

For Alvord Brain Tumor Center patients and families

This is a list of financial resources created to support Alvord Brain Tumor Center patients and their families.

Copay Assistance and Medication Assistance Programs

CancerCare Co-Payment Assistance Foundation

- <http://cancercapecopay.org/eligibility/>
- The Foundation grants assistance on a first-come, first-served basis and is not always open for new applications.

Genentech Access Solutions (Avastin)

- www.genentech-access.com/hcp/brands/avastin.html
- Patients must be covered by commercial insurance only (patients with Medicare, Medicaid, or VA benefits are not eligible).

The HealthWell Foundation

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

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Copay Assistance Program

- www.lls.org/support-resources/financial-support/co-pay-assistance-program
- The Foundation grants assistance on a first-come, first-served basis and is not always open for new applications.

Musella Foundation Copay Assistance (Avastin, Lomustine, Optune, Temodar)

- <https://braintumorcopays.org>
- Patients must be diagnosed with a grade III or IV primary brain tumor, meet the financial eligibility requirements, and have commercial insurance that covers some of the cost of the medication.
- 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 pay for their medications and other healthcare costs.

NextSource Cares (Lomustine)

- www.nextsourcepharma.com/patient-assistance-program.aspx
- Your nurse will help you with this application.

Prescriptions Drug Savings Programs

- 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 which includes your household income is 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 (ages 16 to 36) with "Life Interrupted Grants" to ease their financial burden. Their goal is to help patients concentrate their energy on healing.

American Brain Tumor Association Resource Information

- www.abta.org/financial-assistance/
- The ABTA has a list of financial assistance resources for patients, families, and caregivers.

Cancer Financial Assistance Coalition

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

Cancer Lifeline Patient Assistance Fund

- <https://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, or Whatcom.
- Discuss this with your social worker. They will apply for this grant on your behalf.

Glenn Garcelon Foundation

- www.glenngarcelonfoundation.org/the-grant-process
- Practical resources for brain tumor patients only.

Kim's Hope

- www.kimshope.org
- Assistance for glioblastoma patients.

Kyle Charvat Fund

- www.kylecharvatfoundation.org
- Practical resources for cancer patients from ages 18 to 25.

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Copay Assistance Program

- www.lls.org/support-resources/financial-support
- **Patient Aid Program:** Provides a one-time \$100 stipend to eligible blood cancer patients to help offset non-medical expenses.
- **Urgent Need Program:** Aids with non-medical expenses including rent, mortgage, lodging, utilities, childcare, elder care, food, transportation, car repair, car insurance, phone service, and acute dental work related to treatment. Eligible patients receive a \$500 grant.
- **Susan Lang Pay-It-Forward Patient Travel Assistance Program:** Aids with treatment-related transportation and lodging expenses.

Mission For Maureen

- <http://mission4maureen.org>
- Practical resources for brain tumor patients only.

Rick Pankow Foundation

- www.rickpankowfoundation.org/cancer-financial-assistance
- Practical resources for patients in the Pacific Northwest with a cancer diagnosis and limited income.

Wish Foundations

The Dream Foundation

- www.stellaswish.org/submit-a-wish
- Recipients must live in the U.S. and Puerto Rico and be ages 18 and older. Recipients must be diagnosed with a life-limiting illness (life expectancy of 12 months or less) and lack the resources to fulfill the Dream themselves.

Stella's Wish

- www.dreamfoundation.org/how-to-apply/
- The goal of Stella's Wish Foundation is to collect charitable donations to grant wishes for terminally ill cancer patients ages 18 and older.

Case Management Resources

The Brain Injury Alliance (BIA)

- www.biawa.org/support/support-for-adults
- Offers free adult resource management services to Washington state residents living with brain injury and their caregivers.
- Resources may include help accessing the following: housing, community programs, advocacy services application assistance, DSHS programs, social security, legal resources, therapeutic animals, and medical care.
- They also help patients find community, increase their quality of life, and achieve personal goals.

Patient Advocate Foundation (PAF) Case Management

- www.patientadvocate.org/connect-with-services/case-management-services-and-medcarelines
- Non-profit organization providing professional case management to Americans with chronic, life-threatening, and debilitating illnesses. PAF case managers are liaisons between the patient and their insurer, employer, or creditors. They help resolve issues related to insurance, job retention, or debt related to patients' diagnosis.

Questions?

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

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