

# About Us

## **CANCER CHANGES EVERYTHING. CANCERCARE® CAN HELP.**

Founded in 1944, Cancer*Care®* is the leading national organization providing free, professional support services and information to help people manage the emotional, practical and financial challenges of cancer. Our comprehensive services include counseling and support groups over the phone, online and in-person, educational workshops, publications and financial and co-payment assistance. All Cancer*Care* services are provided by oncology social workers and world-leading cancer experts.

CancerCare programs and services help 170,000 people each year. We distribute 800,000 publications and welcome 1.5 million website visits annually. In the past year, CancerCare provided more than \$22.3 million in financial assistance. The size and scope of CancerCare has grown tremendously since 1944, but it has never wavered from its mission of providing help and hope to people affected by cancer.

To learn more, visit www.cancercare.org or call 800-813-HOPE (4673).

# **Programs and Services**

## Counseling

Counseling is core to what we do. All of our professional oncology social workers hold a master's degree and are experts at helping people:

- Learn new ways to cope with cancer
- Cope with emotions such as anxiety or sadness
- Improve communication with their health care team
- Talk to family members about cancer
- Find reliable information
- · Access useful resources in their community
- Manage financial challenges

Counseling is available over the telephone, online or in person.

#### **Face-to-Face Support Groups**

In-person groups are led by Cancer*Care* oncology social workers at our offices in New York City, Long Island, New Jersey and Connecticut. If people don't live in the area, Cancer*Care* will help them find face-to-face support groups in their community.

# **Online Support Groups**

Our password-protected online support groups are led by professional oncology social workers. Members must go through a registration process, after which they can participate 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

## **Connect Education Workshops™**

Connect Education Workshops offer the latest information from leading oncology experts over the phone or online. Like all of CancerCare's services, these one-hour workshops are completely free of charge—no phone charges apply. Registrants can listen in live over the phone or online as a webcast.

#### **Financial Assistance**

We can help with costs such as:

- Transportation to and from cancer treatment
- Home care
- · Child care
- Pain medication
- Lymphedema supplies (breast cancer only)

## **Telephone Support Groups**

These easy-to-use groups connect people with others from across the country who share similar concerns. Regularly scheduled, one-hour sessions take place over six weeks.

## **Co-Payment Assistance Foundation**

The CancerCare® Co-Payment Assistance Foundation (CCAF), established in 2007, is a philanthropic arm of CancerCare. It is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to helping people afford co-payments for chemotherapy and targeted treatment drugs. This critical assistance helps ensure patient access to care and compliance with prescribed treatments. Visit **www.cancercarecopay.org** to learn more.

## **Publications**

Written by experts, our easy-to-read booklets and fact sheets provide reliable information. Cancer Care provides 80+ publications to the public and health care providers in order to serve them with timely sources of what's new and what's news in cancer research and treatment.

#### **Speakers Bureau**

Need an expert? CancerCare has a leading group of oncology professionals available to speak on a large variety of topics such as:

- Managing financial challenges
- How counseling and support groups work and benefit patients and their loved ones
- Communicating with children and family members about cancer
- Finding up-to-date, reliable information
- Managing treatment side effects such as pain, nausea and memory problems
- Communicating more effectively with health care professionals
- Going back to work after treatment
- Coping with recurrences or an advanced diagnosis

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