



CANCERCare®

# About Us

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

Founded in 1944, CancerCare® 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 CancerCare services are provided by oncology social workers and world-leading cancer experts.

- Our programs and services helped **186,700 people** affected by cancer, and we welcomed **2 million visits** to our websites.
- Our professional oncology social workers provided emotional and practical support to **92,234 people** through our Hopeline, individual counseling, support groups and community programs.
- CancerCare provided **\$41.1 million** in financial assistance to **25,499 people** to help with treatment-related costs such as transportation, home care, child care and co-payment assistance.
- Leading experts in oncology led **68 Connect Education Workshops**, featuring **211 faculty members** and **93 partner organizations**, drawing **68,979 participants**.
- CancerCare distributed **1,126,761 print and digital publications** to health care professionals, patients and caregivers.
- MyCancerCircle served **36,045 active users** in **2,932 active caregiver communities**.
- Online Helping Hand helped **21,973 people** affected by cancer through **37,761 searches**.

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](http://www.cancercare.org) or call **800-813-HOPE (4673)**.

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## 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:

- Provide cancer-focused support.
- Help reduce feelings of anxiety and distress.
- Help increase feelings of hope and empowerment.
- Assist you in learning new ways of coping.
- Help you improve communication with your medical team and loved ones.
- Provide practical information about treatment.
- Provide you with resources in your community.

Counseling is available over the telephone or in person.

### Face-to-Face Support Groups

In-person groups are led by CancerCare oncology social workers at our offices in New York City, Long Island and New Jersey. If people don't live in the area, CancerCare 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

Our telephone support 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](http://www.cancercarecopay.org) to learn more.

### Publications

Written by experts, our easy-to-read booklets and fact sheets provide reliable information. CancerCare provides 300+ publications to update the public and health care providers on the latest news in cancer research and treatment.

### Speakers Bureau

**Need an expert? CancerCare oncology professionals are 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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