

Children and Young Adults & Cancer

National Organizations

American Cancer Society

800-ACS-2345, www.cancer.org

(Has programs and services to help people with cancer and their families understand cancer, manage their lives through treatment and recovery, including emotional support; services include transportation assistance)

National Children's Cancer Society

500 North Broadway, Suite 1850 St. Louis, MO 63102 314- 241-1600 or 800-532-6459 www.thenccs.org/

(Financial assistance, transportation to and from treatment, meals, lodging. Child must be diagnosed on or before his/her 18th birthday)

American Childhood Cancer Organization

10920 Connecticut Ave. Suite A Kensington MD 20895, 855-858-2226 x 101 http://www.acco.org

(Support networks, specialized programs, and other resources to help families cope with medical, emotional, and psychological repercussions of childhood cancer)

Children's Cancer Association

1200 NW Naito Parkway, Suite 140 Portland, Oregon 97209 503-244-3141, www.joyrx.org

(Provides connections to national resources, and often responds 'yes' to a child's wish not met by other organizations, and provides specific essential needs to local families)

The Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults

www.ulmanfund.org

410-964-0202 or 888-393-3863 (Provides tailored support to young adults (15-39) and families; provides household assistance such as cleaning and home repairs in the Maryland and Washington, DC area)

American Academy

of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry

3615 Wisconsin Ave, NW Washington, D.C. 20016-3007 202-966-7300, <u>www.aacap.org</u> (Child and adolescent psychiatrist finder and other resources for youth and families)

National Cancer Institute

Pediatric Oncology Branch 877-624-4878 or 301-496-4256 https://ccr.cancer.gov/pediatric-oncologybranch (Clinical research center, offers support services for children and their families)

Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation

9272 Jeronimo Rd., Ste 122, Irvine CA 92618 800-426-5413, <u>www.pcrf-kids.org</u> (Reviews some of the current research being conducted for childhood cancer)

CureSearch

4600 East-West Highway, Suite 600 Bethesda, MD 20814 800-458-6223, <u>www.curesearch.org/Home</u> (Accelerates the search for cures for children's cancer; provides resources to help understand children's cancer, palliative care, informed consent, and clinical trials)





Children's Cause for Cancer Advocacy

122 C Street, NW Suite 240 Washington, DC 20001 202-304-1850, <u>www.childrenscause.org</u> (Works to achieve less toxic and more effective pediatric cancer therapies, empowers families through education with tools for advocacy)

Children's Hospice International (CHI)

500 Montgomery St, Suite 400 Alexandria VA 22314 703-684-0330, <u>www.chionline.org</u> (CHI's goal is to include the hospice concept into pediatrics so that it is considered an integral part of health care for children and adolescents, rather than a separate specialty)

KIDS COPE, Inc.

2045 Peachtree Road, Ste. 150 Atlanta, GA 30309, <u>www.kidscope.org</u> (Helps children and families understand cancer, provides suggestions for coping, website includes downloadable materials)

Livestrong Foundation

2201 E. Sixth Street, Austin, TX 78702 855-220-7777, <u>http://www.livestrong.org/wecan-help/young-adults/</u> (Cancer support for young adults (15-40)

Look Good, Feel Better

800-395-LOOK, info@2bme.org http://lookgoodfeelbetter.org/2bMe/2bMe.html (Helps teens ages 13-17 deal with the appearance, health, and social side effects of cancer treatment, also offers on-site group sessions in several hospitals across the US).

Wigs for Kids

24231 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake OH 44145 (440) 333-4433, <u>www.wigsforkids.org</u> (Provides wigs for children under 18 years old and accepts donated hair).

Websites for Kids

Brave Kids.org

BraveKids c/o UCP 1825 K Street NW, Suite 600 Washington, DC 20006 800-872-5827 or info@ucp.org (Online message boards, healthcare resources, interactive games and contests)

Kidsaid

P.O. Box 3272, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-3272 www.kidsaid.com

(Website includes a kids' email support group, resources on coping with grief, a place to share artwork, and more)

Bandaides & Blackboards

www.lehman.cuny.edu/faculty/jfleitas/bandaide s (Website for children, teens, and adults with stories on coping with medical problems, and includes and fun things to do!)

Teens Living With Cancer

1000 Elmwood Avenue, Ste #300, Rochester, NY 14620, 585-563-6221

www.teenslivingwithcancer.org

(Website offers medical explanations, advice on coping with the side effects of cancer and treatment, as well as community support)

Children's Cancer Web

www.cancerindex.org/ccw/

(Resources such as support groups, kids' wish organizations, and information about bone marrow transplants)

Organizations Specific to Cancer Type

American Brain Tumor Association

8550 W.Bryn Mawr Ave. Ste. 550 Chicago, IL 60631, 773-577-8750 info@abta.org www.abta.org/kids/

(Resources for adults, adolescents, and children with a brain tumor diagnosis)

The Neuroblastoma Children's Cancer Society

P.O. Box 957672, Hoffman Estates, IL 60195 www.neuroblastomacancer.org 847-605-0700 (Offers family support for children diagnosed with neuroblastoma)

Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation

302 Ridgefield Court, Asheville, NC 28806 800-253-6530, <u>http://www.curethekids.org/</u> (Free educational information, scholarships) **The Childhood Brain Tumor Foundation** 20312 Watkins Meadow Drive Germantown, Maryland 20876 310-515-2900 or 877-217-4166 www.childhoodbraintumor.org (Information relating to brain tumor treatment)

Childhood Leukemia Foundation

807 Mantoloking Road, Suite 202 Brick, New Jersey 08723 888-CLF-7109 or 732-920-8860 www.clf4kids.org

(Offers free resources to children living with cancer and their families such as referrals to home care, transportation, prescription assistance, and sibling and family support)

Transplant Organizations

Be The Match

https://bethematch.org/ 888-999-6743, patientinfo@nmdp.org (Print, online, and electronic media information about pediatric transplants)

Blood & Marrow Transplant Information Network

1548 Old Skokie Road, Ste 1, Highland Park, IL 60035, <u>help@bmptinfonet.org</u>, 888-597-7674, 847-433-4599, <u>www.bmtinfonet.org</u> (Offers emotional support, information, and links to various different resources including transplant centers)

The Bone Marrow Foundation

515 Madison Ave, Ste 1130, New York, 10022 212-838-3029, 800-365-1336

www.bonemarrow.org

(Offers financial assistance and free support services to transplant patients and families)

Children's Organ Transplant Association

2501 West COTA Dr., Bloomington, IN 47403 800-366-2682 <u>www.cota.org</u> (Provides fundraising assistance for children 21 and under needing transplants)

National Foundation for Transplants

5350 Poplar Ave, Ste 430, Memphis, TN 38119 901-684-1697, info@transplants.org www.transplants.org

(Assists families with fundraising for cost of transplants not covered by insurance, links to prescription assistance, transplant discussion groups, and other helpful information)

Camps, Retreats, & Wishes

Cancer Camp Directory

<u>www.cancercamp.net</u> (A directory of camps for children with cancer)

Bear Necessities Pediatric Cancer Foundation

55 W Wacker Dr, Ste. 1100, Chicago, IL 60601 312-836-BEAR (2327) or 312-214-1200

www.bearnecessities.org

(Provides patient and family support programs, special requests and grants)

The Imus Ranch

Ribera, New Mexico 87560

888-284-4687 or 347-850-4687 www.imusranchfoods.com

(Offers a toxin-free, eco-friendly cattle ranch camp for kids with cancer)

KidsCamps

500 NE Spanish River Blvd., Ste 30 Boca Raton, FL 33431, 877- 242-9330 www.kidscamps.com

(Camps for children including oncology camps listed by region and state)

Kids 'n Kamp

3440 Olentangy River Rd., Columbus, OH 43202, <u>www.kidsnkamp.org</u>, 614-262-2220 (Provides children with cancer programs and services focused on emotional, educational and social well-being)

Little Star Foundation

174 Watercolor Way, Ste 103, B343, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459 970- 925-9540 or 800-543-6565. Call 8-4PM www.littlestar.org

(Offers a one-week camp for children with cancer)

Camp Sunshine

35 Acadia Road, Casco, ME 04015 207- 655-3800, info@campsunshine.org www.campsunshine.org

(Offers week-long retreats for children with serious illnesses and their families. Combines respite, recreation, and support)

The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp

565 Ashford Center Rd., Ashford, CT 06278 860- 429-3444 <u>www.holeinthewallgang.org</u> (Offers residential summer camp and other free year-round programs for kids ages 7-15 with cancer and their families)

Clayton Dabney Foundation for Kids with Cancer

6500 Greenville Ave. Ste. 342 Dallas, TX 75206, <u>www.claytondabney.org</u> 214-361-2600 or 713-737-5139 (Provides families with children in the last stages of terminal cancer assistance by providing last wishes and financial assistance)

Make-A-Wish Foundation of America

4742 N 24th St, Ste. 400, Phoenix, AZ 85016 602-279-WISH (9474) or 800-722-WISH www.wish.org

(Grants special wishes to children 0-18 who have a life-threatening illness)

Starlight Children's Foundation

2049 Century Park East, Ste 4320, Los Angeles CA 90067, <u>www.starlight.org</u> 310-479-1212 or 800-274-7827 (Grants wishes for terminally ill children 4-18) **Sunshine Foundation** 1041 Mill Creek Drive, Feasterville, PA 19053

215-396-4770, info@sunshinefoundation.org www.sunshinefoundation.org

(Grants wishes to chronically-ill children from limited income families)

Chai Lifeline

151 West 30th St, New York, NY 10001 212-465-1300 or 877-Chai-Life

www.chailifeline.org

(Emotional, social, psychological, and financial assistance to families living with pediatric illness or loss, including camps and wish trips)

Wishing Well Foundation USA

3000 W Esplanade Avenue, Ste 100 Metairie, LA 70002 504-841-0001 or 888-ONE-WISH http://www.wishingwellusa.org/

(Grants wishes to children with a terminal / life threatening illness, ages of 3 to 18)

Financial Assistance & Scholarships

André Sobel River of Life Foundation

PO Box 3641460, Los Angeles, CA 90036 310-276-7111 <u>www.andreriveroflife.org</u> <u>info@andreriveroflife.org</u> (Provides financial assistance for single

parents of children with serious illnesses)

First Hand Foundation

2800 Rockcreek Pkwy, Kansas City MO 64117 816-201-1569, <u>www.firsthandfoundation.org</u> <u>firsthandfoundation@cerner.com</u> (Offers financial assistance for low-income families with children 18 or younger for costs not covered by insurance)

The Samfund

89 South St., Suite LL02, Boston, MA 02111 617-938-3484 or 866-439-9365

www.thesamfund.org

(Provides direct financial assistance and free online support and education to young adult cancer survivors, includes grants to help pay for cancer-related financial expenses)

Cancer Survivors Fund

P.O. Box 792, Missouri City, TX 77459 www.cancersurvivorsfund.org

(Provides college scholarships to young adults with cancer or young adult survivors of cancer)

The National Children's Cancer Society

https://www.thenccs.org/scholarship 314-241-1600 (Offers scholarships to childhood cancer survivors for persons under 25 years old and diagnosed before age 18)

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation

111 Presidential Blvd., Ste 203, Bala Cynwyd PA 19004, 601-649-3034

http://www.alexslemonade.org/travel-fund

(Offers financial assistance to families who need to travel for cancer treatment.

United HealthCare Children's Foundation

855-698-4223, <u>www.uhccf.org</u> <u>customerservice@uhccf.org</u>

(Offers assistance with medical expenses not covered by insurance for patients 16 and under who have health insurance)

The Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults

http://ulmanfund.org/scholarships/ 410-964-0202 or 888-393-FUND info@ulmanfund.org (Lists scholarships available to help young adults (15-39) continue their education after being affected by cancer through their own diagnosis or the diagnosis of a loved one)

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