



**The Leukemia &
Lymphoma Society®**
Fighting Blood Cancers

PATIENT SERVICES

Oregon, SW Washington, Idaho & Montana Chapter
Portland Area Services

PATIENT AID PROGRAM:

Financial assistance program offering a stipend of \$150 per year for patients in active treatment, follow up or watch & wait. You can download an application form at www.lls.org. Contact Kathy Shaw at (971) 230 2193 or via e-mail to kathy.shaw@lls.org with any questions. Additional co-pay assistance program of up to \$10,000 available for certain diagnosis via our national office. Call 1-877-557-2672 for more details or visit www.lls.org/copay for more details.

FAMILY SUPPORT GROUPS:

For all persons affected by all blood cancers. This includes the patient, their family, and friends. Please call Sue Sumpter RN, MS at (971) 230 2185 for more information

General Blood Cancers: Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Capitol Plaza Building, 9320 SW Barbur Blvd, Suite 140, Portland.

Pediatric Family Support Group: Groups for parents, kids with cancer and siblings. Meets the 2nd Monday of every month at the First United Methodist Church, 1838 SW Jefferson, on the corner of Jefferson and 18th. Free dinner provided. Childcare available

Myeloma Support Group – Portland: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at St Vincent Medical Center, 9155 SW Barnes Rd, conference room 23, East Pavilion entrance.

Survivor Portland: Support group for young adult cancer survivors. Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at OHSU Center for Health & Healing, 3303 SW Bond St, Portland, 3rd floor, Paul Kirk Conference Center, Room 5. Contact Andrea Lehman MSW at 503-601-7642 or Sara Goodman MSW at 503-475-8880 for more information.

Lymphoma Support Group: Meets on the first Tuesday of every month at Providence Cancer Center, 4805 NE Glisan, 1st floor, North Tower, Cancer Support Services. For more details please contact Krista Nelson MSW 503-215-3204

Waldenstrom's Macroglobulinemia: Meets quarterly at the Fairfield Inn & Suites in Lake Oswego.

Amyloidosis Support Group: Meets quarterly at St Vincents Medical Center, 9155 SW Barnes Road, Portland.

Myelodysplastic Syndrome Support Group: Meets quarterly at Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital, Conference rooms N&S, Building 2, 1st floor, 1015 NW 22nd Ave, Portland.

Hispanic Family Support Group : Meets on the 2nd Saturday of every month at Augustana Church, 2710 NE 14th, Portland. Please call Omar Cervantes 503-939-8734 for more details.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL:

Various educational materials are available, free of charge, for patients, families and health care professionals. This includes booklets, pamphlets, and videos. The Information Resource Center (IRC) is your connection to free programs, publications, and answers to your questions. Social workers and nurses are available to talk one-on-one Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. EST.

Call toll free at 1-800-955-4572.

We are also able to refer patients to other organizations and services. You can visit our website at www.lls.org to review over 2,000 pages of information. Patient Education talks and conferences are offered throughout the year. Our e-newsletter is sent out monthly to keep you informed of current events and activities.

FIRST CONNECTION:

This program links a newly diagnosed patient with a survivor. Patients and caregivers, who “have been through it” and are now physically and emotionally able to help others, have volunteered to contact newly diagnosed patients and/or family members. All volunteers have received formal training.

WELCOME BACK:

A program to help ease the transition of every child with cancer back into the classroom and school activities. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society provides resources for the family, and the school (i.e. books, videos, etc.). Resources and assistance are also available for children experiencing learning difficulties after treatment for cancer is completed, plus an annual conference and regular seminars on back-to-school issues are provided.

ADVOCATES NETWORK:

An advocacy program to keep people informed of legislative issues. Volunteers may be asked to take action by calling or writing their Senators or Representatives. Visit www.lls.org for more details.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS:

We offer many free, informative education programs led by experienced medical personnel for our patients, their family members and health care professionals. Many of our programs offer free Continuing Education Units for RN's and social workers.

QUESTIONS:

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