

The Blood Cancer Foundation of Michigan (BCFM) is a 70 year old organization whose mission is to ensure the emotional, social and financial stability of Michigan patients and families as they navigate their blood cancer journey. All programs and services are delivered free of charge, for as long as patients and families need them -- upon diagnosis, through treatment and beyond.

## SUPPORT PROGRAMS & SERVICES

### EDUCATION & RESOURCES

- Access to extensive resource library
- Information on diagnosis, coping, financial and emotional issues, etc.
- Referral services

### EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

- Personalized case management
- Personal in-office or virtual support
- Ongoing phone calls or emails
- Support groups
- Community resources for caregiver support

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- Customized financial roadmaps
  - Help planning for cancer-related expenses
  - Connect with outside resources
- Patient Reimbursement Fund\*
  - For treatment-related expenses not covered by insurance (*prescriptions, transportation to treatment for patients and caregivers*)
- Special Needs Grant\*
  - For urgent one-time needs (housing, utilities, emergency car repairs)

\* Funding subject to availability

### SOCIAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

- Fun experiences and opportunities to connect with other patients and families throughout the year
  - Holiday parties (*Valentine's, Halloween, Christmas*)
  - Ticketed events (*movies, sports, museums*)
  - Patient and Family outings (*bowling, ice skating, date nights, picnics*)

### HOLIDAY TOYS PROGRAM

Wish list fulfillment during the holidays for pediatric patients and their siblings, as well as children of adult patients (18 and under)

*"When you're in a situation where you can't provide like you used to be able to, just having the support system there is so important. There was a time that I felt alone and the most amazing thing is that people at BCFM really care about me and my family. It's such a blessing."*

– Mendez, BCFM Patient



## Who is eligible for services?

- Michigan residents
- Adults and children diagnosed with a blood cancer or precancerous blood condition
- Parents, spouses, siblings and caregivers of blood cancer patients
- No age limits
- No income requirements

## BCFM covers nearly 200 types of blood cancers and blood disorders, including:

- Leukemia
- Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma
- Hodgkin's disease
- Multiple myeloma
- Aplastic anemia
- Fanconi's anemia
- Myelodysplastic syndromes
- Myeloproliferative disorders
- Other malignant or potentially malignant disorders of the blood, lymphatic system or bone marrow



***"There was nothing but smiles and joy because of everything we received from BCFM."***

***- Jason, BCFM Caregiver***

## More benefits of enrolling with BCFM

- **Lifelong support.** Recognizing the uniqueness and unpredictability of blood cancer, BCFM never discharges patients from services. Patients and families may continue to receive emotional support and attend outings as long as they would like, and patients are eligible for financial assistance up to 10 years into remission.
- **Comprehensive support.** BCFM is the only organization in Michigan to offer all of these services to blood cancer patients in one place, freeing up patients' time and allowing them to focus on their own well-being.
- **Prevent barriers that may arise.** Enrolling early/upon diagnosis helps patients and families alleviate the need to scramble for assistance when an urgent situation occurs.

**To register for services or learn more about how you can get involved with BCFM, contact us directly at 800.825.2536 or online at [BloodCancerFoundationMI.org](https://BloodCancerFoundationMI.org)**