



2021 Virtual Nursing Forum:
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in Hematologic Malignancies™**



Financial Toxicity in the Care of Patients with Hematologic Malignancies

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Learning Objectives



1

Review prevalence, risk factors, and consequences related to financial toxicity in patients treated for hematologic malignancies

2

Identify financial implications of new therapies approved to treat hematologic malignancies

3

Discuss techniques to reduce financial toxicity for patients

Financial Toxicity



- The National Cancer Institute defines financial toxicity as "problems a patient has related to the cost of medical care." (NCI, 2020)
- Khera's definition is "adverse economic consequences resulting from medical treatment" (Khera, 2014)
- Cancer is one of the five most expensive medical conditions to treat in the United States (NCI, 2021)
- The average cost of cancer medications in the United States during the 1980s was \$100/month, by 2009 it had increased to \$18,000/month (Lentz et al, 2019)
- The annual estimated cost of cancer care in the United States for 2020 was \$157 billion (nabr.org, 2020)

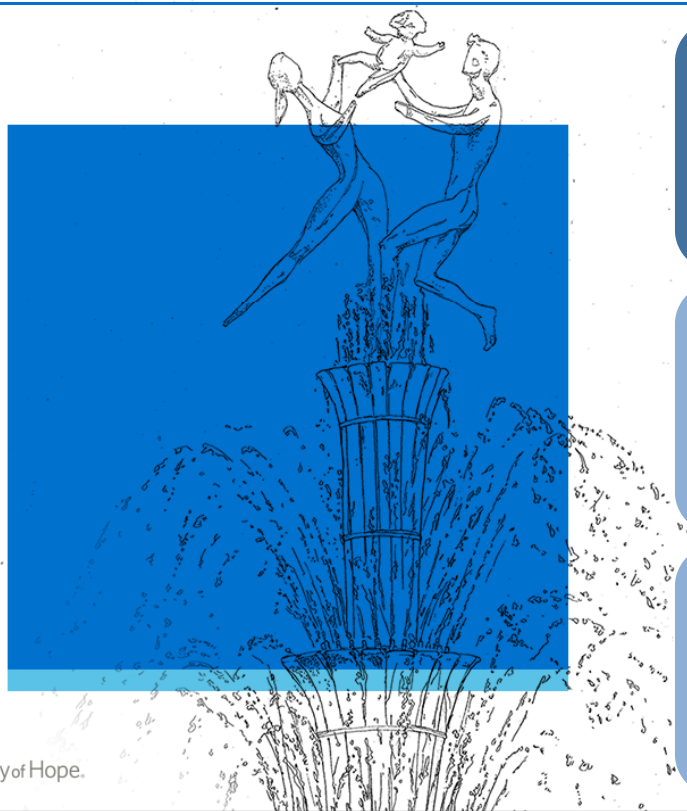
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CAN'T AFFORD IT



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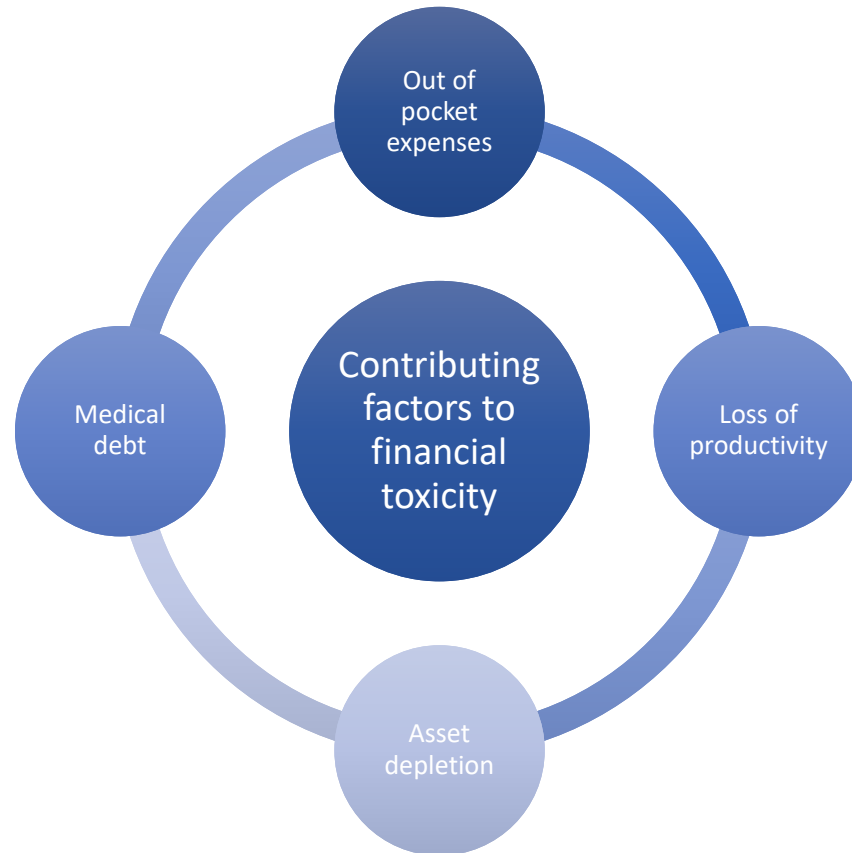
Prevalence of Financial Toxicity

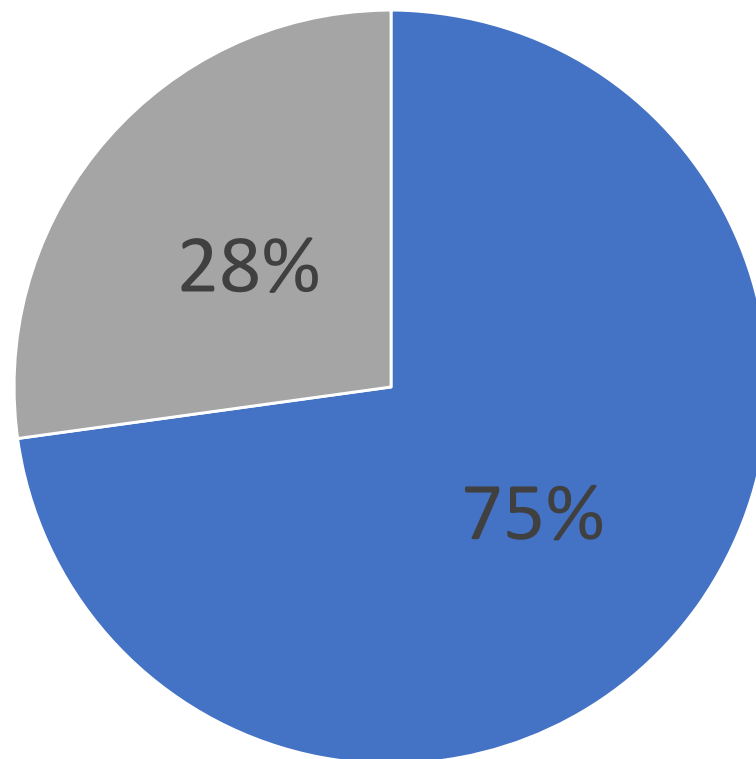


Cancer patients have a higher probability of experiencing financial toxicity than those without cancer (Sedhom et al., 2021)

Approximately one third of cancer patients with advanced disease state financial toxicity as more severe than their physical and emotional suffering (Sedhom et al., 2021)

22-64% of patients reported concern about paying for medical bills (NCI, 2020)



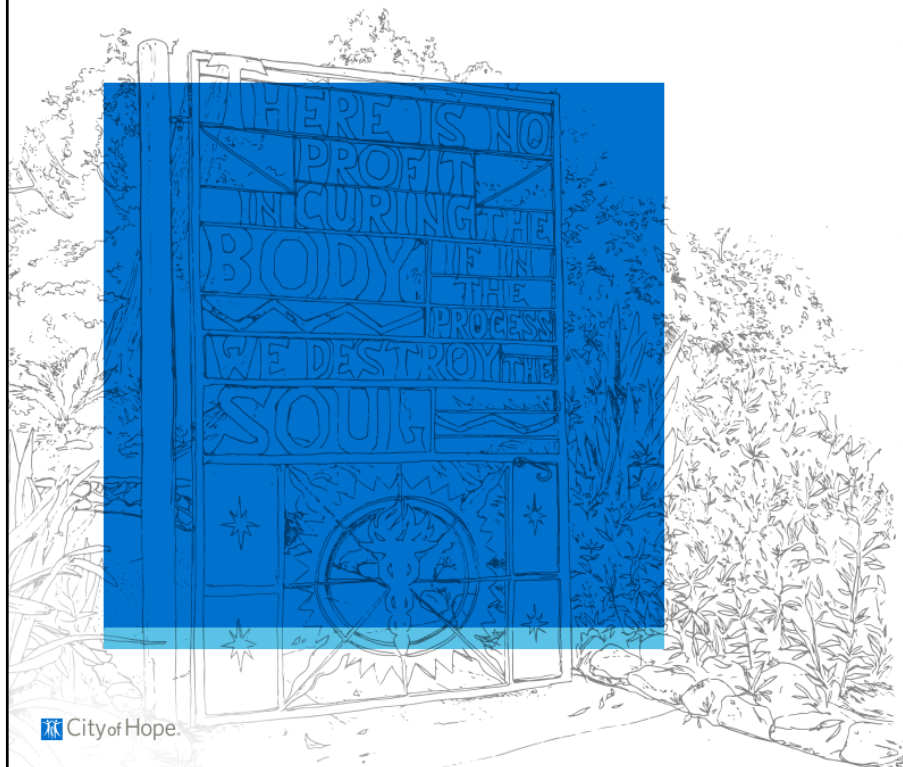


■ Interest in discussing cost of care with patients

■ Comfort in discussing cost of care with patients

Henrikson et al., 2014

Discussing the Cost of Care



- Is this a symptom of care that should be assessed in addition to the physical side effects of nausea, pain, fatigue etc.?
- Barriers include knowledge deficits, time, patient's desire to share financial details
- Clinical trials
- Tools: Distress thermometer, Comprehensive Score for Financial Toxicity (COST), and Personal Financial Wellness (PFW)



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Distress Management

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MANAGEMENT OF EXPECTED DISTRESS SYMPTOMS

EXPECTED DISTRESS
SYMPTOMS^d

- Fear and worry about the future
- Concerns about illness
- Sadness about loss of usual health
- Anger, feeling out of control
- Poor sleep [See NCCN Guidelines for Survivorship: Sleep Disorders \(SSD-1\)](#)
- Poor appetite
- Poor concentration
- Preoccupation with thoughts of illness and death
- Concerns with disease or treatment side effects
- Concerns about social role (ie, as father, mother)
- Spiritual/existential concerns
- Financial worries

INTERVENTIONS

- Acknowledge/validate distress
- Clarify diagnosis, treatment options, and side effects
 - ▶ Be sure patient understands disease and treatment options
 - ▶ Discuss advance care planning
 - ▶ Refer to appropriate patient education materials (eg, [NCCN Guidelines for Patients](#))
- Educate patient that points of transition may bring increased vulnerability to distress
- Ensure continuity of care
- Mobilize resources
- Consider medication to manage symptoms:
 - ▶ Analgesics ([See NCCN Guidelines for Adult Cancer Pain](#))
 - ▶ Anxiolytics
 - ▶ Hypnotics
 - ▶ Antidepressants
 - ▶ Psychostimulants
- Support groups and/or individual counseling including evidence-based interventions
- Family/couple/caregiver support and counseling
- Relaxation, mindfulness, meditation, creative therapies (eg, art, dance, music)
- Spiritual support
- Exercise
- Assess and strengthen coping strategies

RE-EVALUATION

Monitor functional level and reevaluate as appropriate

Stable or diminished distress

Continue monitoring and support

Increased or persistent distress

[See Distress Score ≥4 or moderate to severe distress \(DIS-3\)](#)

^d[See Psychosocial Distress Patient Characteristics \(DIS-B\)](#)

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DIS-4

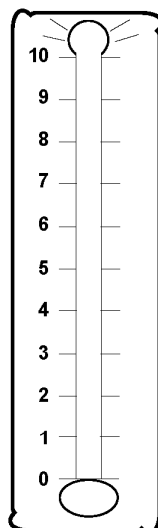


NCCN DISTRESS THERMOMETER

Distress is an unpleasant experience of a mental, physical, social, or spiritual nature. It can affect the way you think, feel, or act. Distress may make it harder to cope with having cancer, its symptoms, or its treatment.

Instructions: Please circle the number (0–10) that best describes how much distress you have been experiencing in the past week including today.

Extreme distress



No distress

PROBLEM LIST

Please indicate if any of the following has been a problem for you in the past week including today.

Be sure to check YES or NO for each.

YES	NO	<u>Practical Problems</u>	YES	NO	<u>Physical Problems</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Child care	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Appearance
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Food	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Bathing/dressing
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Breathing
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Insurance/financial	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Changes in urination
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Constipation
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Work/school	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Diarrhea
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Treatment decisions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eating
		<u>Family Problems</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fatigue
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dealing with children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Feeling swollen
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dealing with partner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fevers
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ability to have children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Getting around
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family health issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Indigestion
		<u>Emotional Problems</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Memory/concentration
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Depression	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mouth sores
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fears	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nausea
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nervousness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nose dry/congested
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sadness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pain
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Worry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sexual
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Loss of interest in usual activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Skin dry/itchy
		<u>Spiritual/Religious Concerns</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sleep
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substance use
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tingling in hands/feet

Other Problems: _____

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DIS-A



PSYCHOSOCIAL DISTRESS PATIENT CHARACTERISTICS¹

PATIENTS AT INCREASED RISK FOR DISTRESS

- History of psychiatric disorder or substance use disorder
- History of depression/suicide attempt
- History of trauma and/or abuse (physical, sexual, emotional, verbal)
- Cognitive impairment
- Communication barriers²
- Severe comorbid illnesses
- Social issues:
 - ▶ Family/caregiver conflicts
 - ▶ Inadequate social support
 - ▶ Social isolation
 - ▶ Living alone
 - ▶ Financial problems
 - ▶ Limited access to medical care
 - ▶ Young or dependent children
 - ▶ Younger age³
 - ▶ Sexual health and fertility concerns³
 - ▶ Immigration
 - ▶ Discrimination (eg, racial, gender)
 - ▶ Loss of stable housing/shelter/living environment
 - ▶ Current substance use
 - ▶ Other stressors
- Spiritual/religious concerns
- Uncontrolled symptoms
- Cancer type associated with risk of depression (eg, pancreatic cancer, head and neck cancer)

PERIODS OF INCREASED VULNERABILITY

- Finding and investigating a suspicious symptom
- During diagnostic workup
- Finding out the diagnosis
- Advanced cancer diagnosis
- Learning about genetic/familial cancer risk
- Awaiting treatment
- Increase in symptom burden
- Significant treatment-related complication(s)
- Admission to/discharge from hospital
- Change in treatment modality
- Treatment failure
- End of active treatment
- Medical follow-up and surveillance
- Transition to survivorship
- Recurrence/progression
- Transition to end-of-life care

¹For site-specific symptoms with major psychosocial consequences, see Holland JC, Golant M, Greenberg DB, et al. Psycho-oncology: A quick reference on the psychosocial dimensions of cancer symptom management. Oxford University Press, 2015.

²Communication barriers include language, literacy, and physical barriers.

³See [NCCN Guidelines for Adolescent and Young Adult \(AYA\) Oncology](#).

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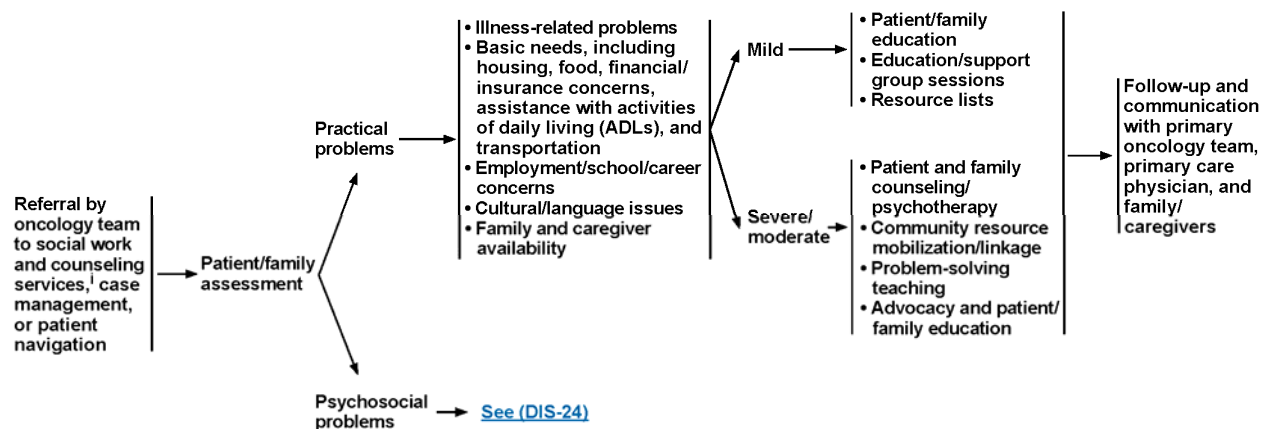


**SOCIAL WORK
AND COUNSELING
SERVICES¹**

CATEGORY

TYPE OF PROBLEM

**SOCIAL WORK AND COUNSELING
INTERVENTIONS¹**



¹Social work and counseling services include mental health care as described in the psychological/psychiatric treatment guidelines ([See DIS-5](#)).

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Risk Factors for Financial Toxicity

Female

Younger age

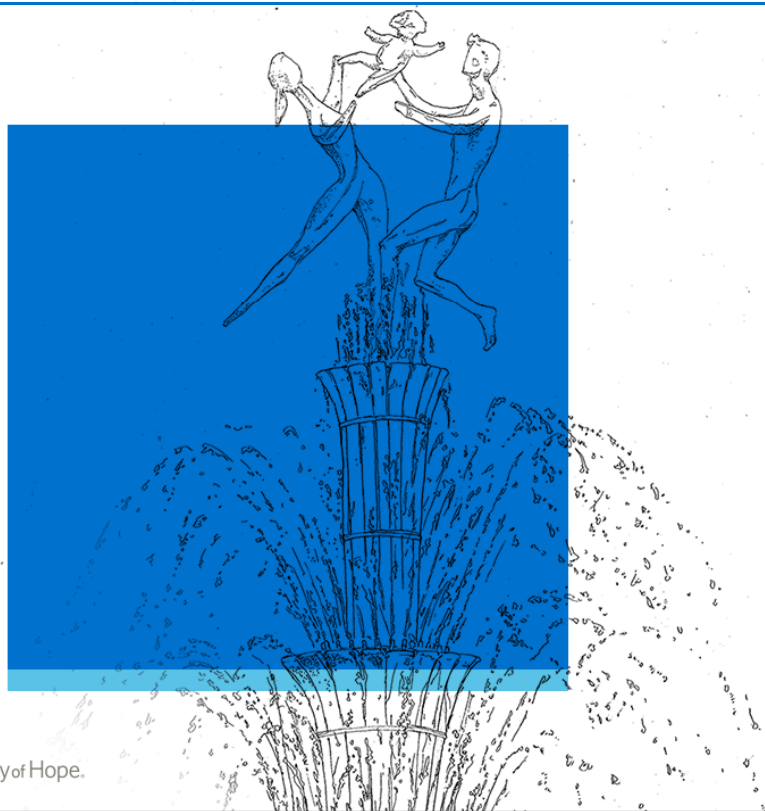
Race/ethnicity

Household
income

Distance to
treatment
center

Employment
status

Consequences of Financial Toxicity



Non-adherence to therapy

Worse outcomes

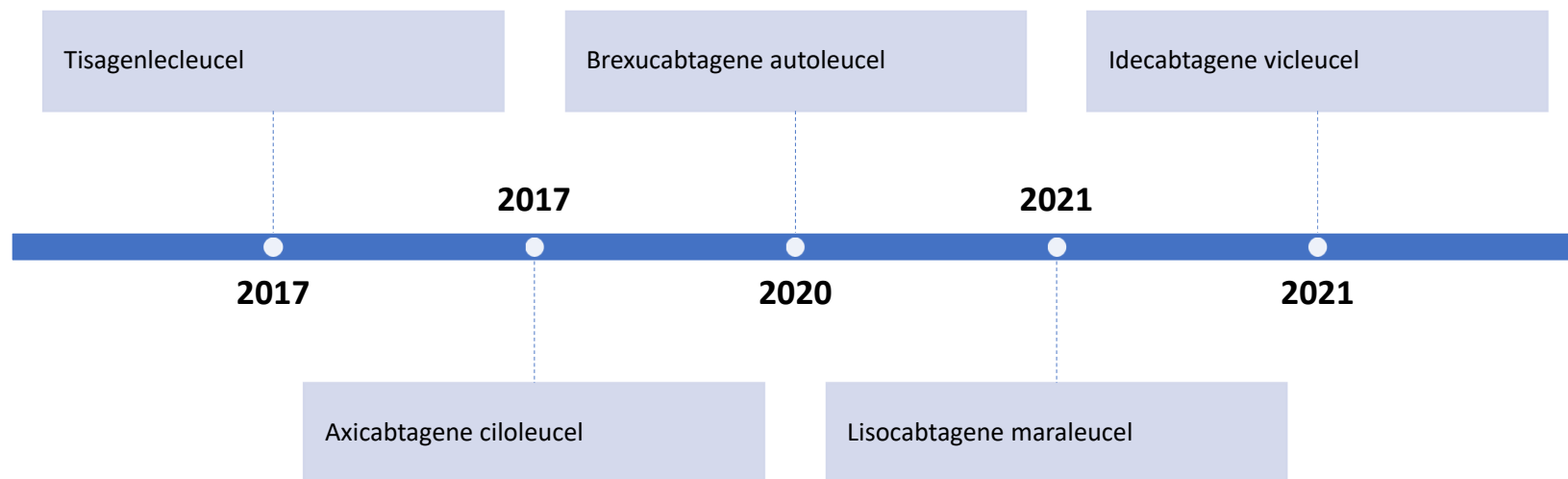
Bankruptcy

Foreclosure of home

Symptom burden

Health-related quality of life

Immune Effector Cell Therapies Approved for Hematologic Malignancies



Cost of CAR T Cell Therapy



Five FDA approved therapies with an average cost of \$373,000 for cellular therapy product (Chadwick, 2020)

Average cost for care including cell product: \$419,238 (Chadwick, 2020)

Other expenses:

- Medical: Pre-therapy consultation, apheresis, lymphodepleting chemotherapy, medications, side effect management, follow up care and monitoring
- Non-medical: Transportation, lodging, lost work time and meals

New Therapies Approved for Hematologic Malignancies in 2020



TAFASITAMAB-CXIX

ISATUXIMAB-IRFC

BELANTAMAB MAFODOTIN-BLMF

DECITABINE AND CEDAZURIDINE

New Therapies Approved for Hematologic Malignancies in 2021



Loncastuximab
tesirine-lpyl

Melphalan
flufenamide



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Multiple Myeloma

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NCCN EVIDENCE BLOCKS CATEGORIES AND DEFINITIONS

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Example Evidence Block

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Efficacy of Regimen/Agent

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Safety of Regimen/Agent

5	Usually no meaningful toxicity: Uncommon or minimal toxicities; no interference with activities of daily living (ADLs)
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3	Mildly toxic: Mild toxicity that interferes with ADLs
2	Moderately toxic: Significant toxicities often occur but life threatening/fatal toxicity is uncommon; interference with ADLs is frequent
1	Highly toxic: Significant toxicities or life threatening/fatal toxicity occurs often; interference with ADLs is usual and severe

Note: For significant chronic or long-term toxicities, score decreased by 1

Quality of Evidence

5	High quality: Multiple well-designed randomized trials and/or meta-analyses
4	Good quality: One or more well-designed randomized trials
3	Average quality: Low quality randomized trial(s) or well-designed non-randomized trial(s)
2	Low quality: Case reports or extensive clinical experience
1	Poor quality: Little or no evidence

Consistency of Evidence

5	Highly consistent: Multiple trials with similar outcomes
4	Mainly consistent: Multiple trials with some variability in outcome
3	May be consistent: Few trials or only trials with few patients, whether randomized or not, with some variability in outcome
2	Inconsistent: Meaningful differences in direction of outcome between quality trials
1	Anecdotal evidence only: Evidence in humans based upon anecdotal experience

Affordability of Regimen/Agent (includes drug cost, supportive care, infusions, toxicity monitoring, management of toxicity)

5	Very inexpensive
4	Inexpensive
3	Moderately expensive
2	Expensive
1	Very expensive



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EVIDENCE BLOCKS FOR MULTIPLE MYELOMA THERAPY

PRIMARY THERAPY FOR TRANSPLANT CANDIDATES	
Preferred Regimens	
Bortezomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone	
Other Recommended Regimens	
Carfilzomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone	
Daratumumab/lenalidomide/bortezomib/dexamethasone	
Ixazomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone	
Useful In Certain Circumstances	
Bortezomib/cyclophosphamide/dexamethasone	
Bortezomib/doxorubicin/dexamethasone	
Carfilzomib/cyclophosphamide/dexamethasone	
Ixazomib/cyclophosphamide/dexamethasone	
Bortezomib/thalidomide/dexamethasone	
Cyclophosphamide/lenalidomide/dexamethasone	
Daratumumab/carfilzomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone	*
Daratumumab/cyclophosphamide/bortezomib/dexamethasone	
Daratumumab/bortezomib/thalidomide/dexamethasone	
Dexamethasone/thalidomide/cisplatin/doxorubicin/cyclophosphamide/etoposide/bortezomib (VTD-PACE)	

MAINTENANCE THERAPY	
Preferred Regimens	
Lenalidomide	
Other Recommended Regimens	
Ixazomib	
Bortezomib	
Useful In Certain Circumstances	
Bortezomib/lenalidomide ± dexamethasone	

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PRIMARY THERAPY FOR NON-TRANSPLANT CANDIDATES		MAINTENANCE THERAPY	
Preferred Regimens		Preferred Regimens	
Bortezomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Lenalidomide	
Daratumumab/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Other Recommended Regimens	
Other Recommended Regimens		Ixazomib	*
Carfilzomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Bortezomib	
Ixazomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Useful In Certain Circumstances	
Daratumumab/bortezomib/melphalan/prednisone		Bortezomib/lenalidomide	
Daratumumab/cyclophosphamide/bortezomib/dexamethasone			
Useful In Certain Circumstances			
Bortezomib/dexamethasone			
Bortezomib/cyclophosphamide/dexamethasone			
Cyclophosphamide/lenalidomide/dexamethasone			
Carfilzomib/cyclophosphamide/dexamethasone			
Lenalidomide/low-dose dexamethasone			
Bortezomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone (VRD-lite) for frail patients	*		

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EVIDENCE BLOCKS FOR THERAPY FOR PREVIOUSLY TREATED MULTIPLE MYELOMA

Preferred Regimens for Early Relapses (1–3 prior therapies) <i>Order of regimens do not indicate comparative efficacy</i>		Other Recommended Regimens for Early Relapses (1–3 prior therapies)	
Bortezomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Bendamustine/bortezomib/ dexamethasone	
Carfilzomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Bendamustine/lenalidomide/ dexamethasone	
Daratumumab/bortezomib/dexamethasone		Bortezomib/liposomal doxorubicin/dexamethasone	
Daratumumab/carfilzomib/dexamethasone		Bortezomib/cyclophosphamide/ dexamethasone	
Daratumumab/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Carfilzomib/cyclophosphamide/ dexamethasone	
Ixazomib/lenalidomide/dexamethasone		Carfilzomib (twice weekly)/ dexamethasone	
Isatuximab-irfc/carfilzomib/dexamethasone		Cyclophosphamide/ lenalidomide/dexamethasone	
<i>After two prior therapies including an IMiD and a PI and with disease progression on/within 60 days of completion of last therapy</i>		Daratumumab/cyclophosphamide/ bortezomib/dexamethasone	
Ixazomib/pomalidomide/dexamethasone			
Pomalidomide/bortezomib/dexamethasone			
<i>After two prior therapies including lenalidomide and a PI</i>			
Isatuximab-irfc/pomalidomide/ dexamethasone			
Daratumumab/pomalidomide/ dexamethasone			
		Elotuzumab/bortezomib/ dexamethasone	
		Elotuzumab/lenalidomide/ dexamethasone	
		Ixazomib/cyclophosphamide/ dexamethasone	
		Panobinostat/bortezomib/ dexamethasone	
		Selinexor/bortezomib/ dexamethasone (once weekly)	
		<i>After two prior therapies including an IMiD and a PI and disease progression on/within 60 days of completion of last therapy</i>	
		Pomalidomide/cyclophosphamide/ dexamethasone	
		Pomalidomide/carfilzomib/ dexamethasone	
		<i>After two prior therapies including lenalidomide and a PI</i>	
		Elotuzumab/pomalidomide/ dexamethasone	

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EVIDENCE BLOCKS FOR THERAPY FOR PREVIOUSLY TREATED MULTIPLE MYELOMA

Useful In Certain Circumstances for Early Relapses (1–3 prior therapies) <i>If a regimen listed for previously treated multiple myeloma was used as a primary induction therapy and relapse is >6 months, the same regimen may be repeated</i>			
Bendamustine		After two prior therapies including bortezomib and an IMiD	For treatment of aggressive MM
Bortezomib/dexamethasone		Panobinostat/carfilzomib	Dexamethasone/ cyclophosphamide/etoposide/ cisplatin (DCEP)
Carfilzomib/cyclophosphamide/ thalidomide/dexamethasone		Panobinostat/lenalidomide/ dexamethasone	Dexamethasone/thalidomide/ cisplatin/doxorubicin/ cyclophosphamide/etoposide (DT-PACE) ± bortezomib (VTD- PACE)
Carfilzomib (weekly)/dexamethasone		After two prior therapies including IMiD and a PI and with disease progression on/within 60 days of completion of last therapy	
High-dose or fractionated cyclophosphamide		Pomalidomide/dexamethasone	
Ixazomib/dexamethasone		Selinexor/pomalidomide/dexamethasone	
Lenalidomide/dexamethasone			
Selinexor/daratumumab/ dexamethasone		Therapies for Patients with Late Relapses (>3 prior therapies)	
Venetoclax/dexamethasone only for t(11;14) patients		After at least four prior therapies, including an anti-CD38 monoclonal antibody, a PI, and an IMiD	
After at least three prior therapies including a PI and an IMiD or are double-refractory to a PI and an IMiD		Belantamab mafodotin-blmf	
Daratumumab		Idecabtagene vicleucel	
		Melphalan flufenamide/dexamethasone	
		After least four prior therapies and whose disease is refractory to at least two proteasome inhibitors, at least two immunomodulatory agents, and an anti-CD38 monoclonal antibody	
		Selinexor/dexamethasone	

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Acute Myeloid Leukemia

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Acute Myeloid Leukemia (Age ≥18 years)

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Efficacy of Regimen/Agent

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5	Highly effective: Cure likely and often provides long-term survival advantage				
4	Very effective: Cure unlikely but sometimes provides long-term survival advantage				
3	Moderately effective: Modest impact on survival, but often provides control of disease				
2	Minimally effective: No, or unknown impact on survival, but sometimes provides control of disease				
1	Palliative: Provides symptomatic benefit only				

Safety of Regimen/Agent

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2	Moderately toxic: Significant toxicities often occur but life threatening/fatal toxicity is uncommon; interference with ADLs is frequent
1	Highly toxic: Significant toxicities or life threatening/fatal toxicity occurs often; interference with ADLs is usual and severe

Note: For significant chronic or long-term toxicities, score decreased by 1

Quality of Evidence

5	High quality: Multiple well-designed randomized trials and/or meta-analyses
4	Good quality: One or more well-designed randomized trials
3	Average quality: Low quality randomized trial(s) or well-designed non-randomized trial(s)
2	Low quality: Case reports or extensive clinical experience
1	Poor quality: Little or no evidence

Consistency of Evidence

5	Highly consistent: Multiple trials with similar outcomes
4	Mainly consistent: Multiple trials with some variability in outcome
3	May be consistent: Few trials or only trials with few patients, whether randomized or not, with some variability in outcome
2	Inconsistent: Meaningful differences in direction of outcome between quality trials
1	Anecdotal evidence only: Evidence in humans based upon anecdotal experience

Affordability of Regimen/Agent (includes drug cost, supportive care, infusions, toxicity monitoring, management of toxicity)

5	Very inexpensive
4	Inexpensive
3	Moderately expensive
2	Expensive
1	Very expensive



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




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E = Efficacy of Regimen/Agent
S = Safety of Regimen/Agent
Q = Quality of Evidence
C = Consistency of Evidence
A = Affordability of Regimen/Agent

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Discussion

EVIDENCE BLOCKS FOR AML TREATMENT (AGE <60 YEARS)

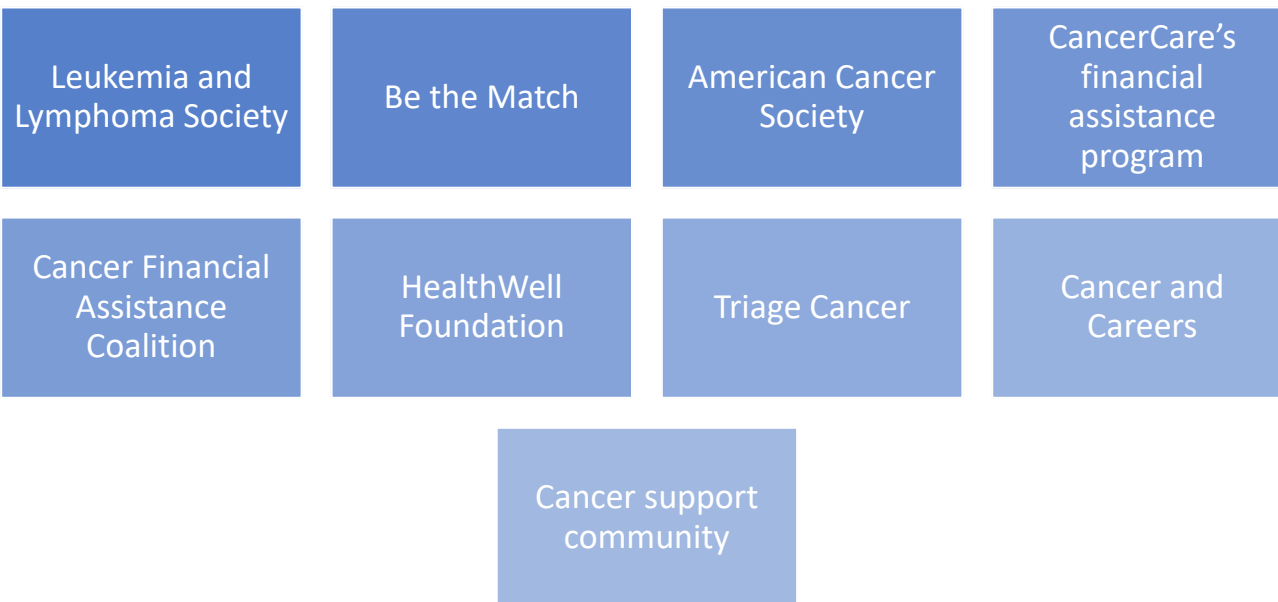
TREATMENT STRATEGIES	INDUCTION REGIMENS	
Favorable-risk cytogenetics	Standard-dose cytarabine 200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days with daunorubicin 60 mg/m ² x 3 days and a single dose of gemtuzumab ozogamicin 3 mg/m ² (up to one 4.5 mg vial) on day 1, or day 2, or day 3, or day 4; alternatively, three total doses on days 1, 4, and 7 (CD33-positive) (preferred)	
	Standard-dose cytarabine 100–200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days and idarubicin 12 mg/m ² x 3 days	
	Standard-dose cytarabine 100–200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days and daunorubicin 60–90 mg/m ² x 3 days	
	Fludarabine 30 mg/m ² IV days 2–6, HiDAC 2 g/m ² over 4 hours starting 4 hours after fludarabine on days 2–6, idarubicin 8 mg/m ² IV days 4–6, and granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF) subcutaneously (SC) daily days 1–7	
Intermediate-risk cytogenetics and <i>FLT3</i> -mutated (ITD or TKD)	Standard-dose cytarabine 200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days with daunorubicin 60 mg/m ² x 3 days and oral midostaurin 50 mg every 12 hours, days 8–21 (<i>FLT3</i> -mutated AML)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Therapy-related AML other than CBF/APL • Antecedent MDS/CMML • Cytogenetic changes consistent with MDS (AML-MRC) 	Standard-dose cytarabine 100–200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days and idarubicin 12 mg/m ² x 3 days	
	Standard-dose cytarabine 100–200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days and daunorubicin 60–90 mg/m ² x 3 days	
	Dual-drug liposomal encapsulation of daunorubicin 44 mg/m ² and cytarabine 100 mg/m ² IV over 90 min on days 1, 3, and 5 x 1 cycle	
Other recommended regimens for intermediate- or poor-risk disease	Standard-dose cytarabine 100–200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days and idarubicin 12 mg/m ² x 3 days	
	Standard-dose cytarabine 100–200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days and daunorubicin 60–90 mg/m ² x 3 days	
	Standard-dose cytarabine 200 mg/m ² continuous infusion x 7 days with daunorubicin 60 mg/m ² x 3 days and a single dose of gemtuzumab ozogamicin 3 mg/m ² (up to one 4.5 mg vial) on day 1, or day 2, or day 3, or day 4; alternatively, three total doses on days 1, 4, and 7 (CD33-positive/intermediate-risk AML)	
	High-dose cytarabine (HiDAC) 2 g/m ² every 12 hours x 6 days or 3 g/m ² every 12 hours x 4 days with idarubicin 12 mg/m ² x 3 days (1 cycle)	
	High-dose cytarabine (HiDAC) 2 g/m ² every 12 hours x 6 days or 3 g/m ² every 12 hours x 4 days with daunorubicin 60 mg/m ² x 3 days (1 cycle)	
	Fludarabine 30 mg/m ² IV days 2–6, HiDAC 2 g/m ² over 4 hours starting 4 hours after fludarabine on days 2–6, idarubicin 8 mg/m ² IV days 4–6, and granulocyte colony-stimulating factor (G-CSF) subcutaneously (SC) daily days 1–7	

Clinical Trials: NCCN believes that the best management of any patient with cancer is in a clinical trial. Participation in clinical trials is especially encouraged.

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FINANCIAL HELP



INFO/EDUCATION



SPECIAL POPULATIONS



Financial help

Need help paying for transplant costs? Talk to your transplant team about applying for financial assistance through Be The Match.



Financial assistance when you need it most

Be The Match can help you pay for medical and other expenses during transplant, like:

- Searching for a donor
- Housing costs
- Travel to clinical trials

Paying for transplant

- ▶ [Insurance Coverage](#)
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Applications must be submitted by someone from your transplant team. They can request an application by visiting [Network.BetheMatchClinical.org](https://www.network.bethematchclinical.org).

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Co-Pay Assistance Program

LLS's [Co-Pay Assistance Program](#) offers financial support toward the cost of co-pays for insurance and covered prescription drugs, and insurance premiums. Patients must qualify both medically and financially for this program. Access the [Copayment Assistance Resource Guide for Blood Cancer Patients](#) for additional co-pay assistance resources.

Patient Financial Aid

The [LLS Patient Aid Program](#) provides \$100 to eligible blood cancer patients to help offset expenses.

Susan Lang Pay-It-Forward Patient Travel Assistance Program

LLS's [Susan Lang Pay-It-Forward Patient Travel Assistance Program](#) is available to blood cancer patients, with significant financial need, who may qualify to receive financial assistance for approved expenses which include: ground transportation, air travel, and lodging related expenses.

Susan Lang Pre CAR T-cell Therapy Travel Assistance Program

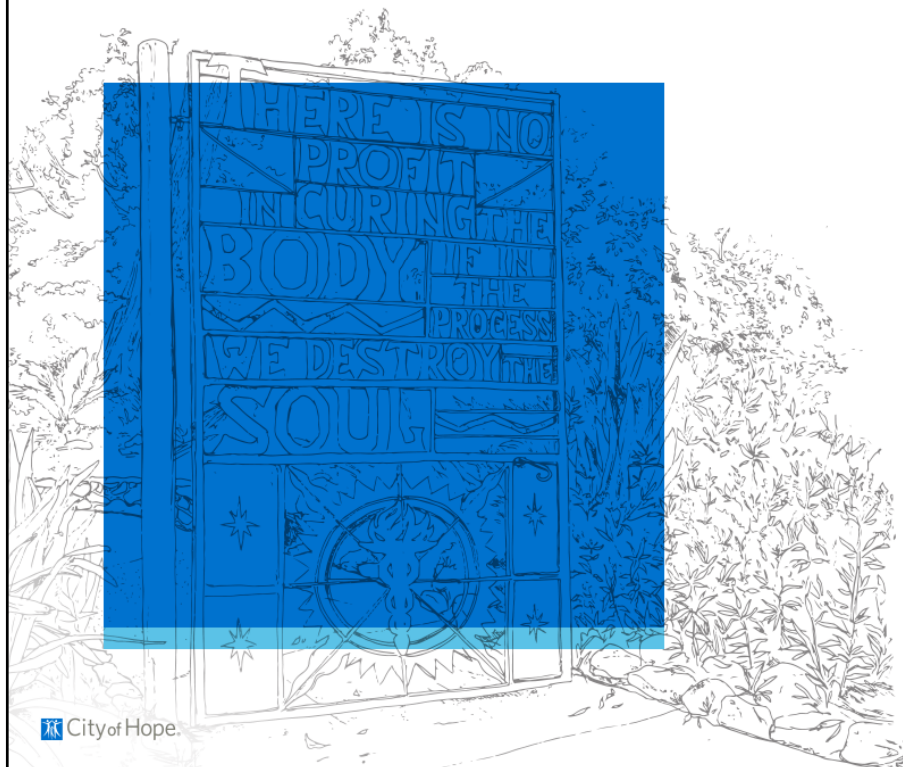
LLS's [Susan Lang Pre CAR T-cell Therapy Travel Assistance Program](#) is available to blood cancer patients with significant financial need who are being evaluated to receive CAR T-cell therapy as either standard treatment or a clinical trial. Financial assistance is for approved travel-related expenses.

Urgent Need Program

LLS's [Urgent Need Program](#) provides eligible patients assistance for non-medical expenses including rent, mortgage, lodging, utilities, childcare, elder care, food, transportation, car repair, car insurance, phone service, and acute dental work related to treatment. Eligible patients receive a grant of \$500 once within a 12-month period. At the end of the 12-month period, patients



Additional Resources



Local food banks

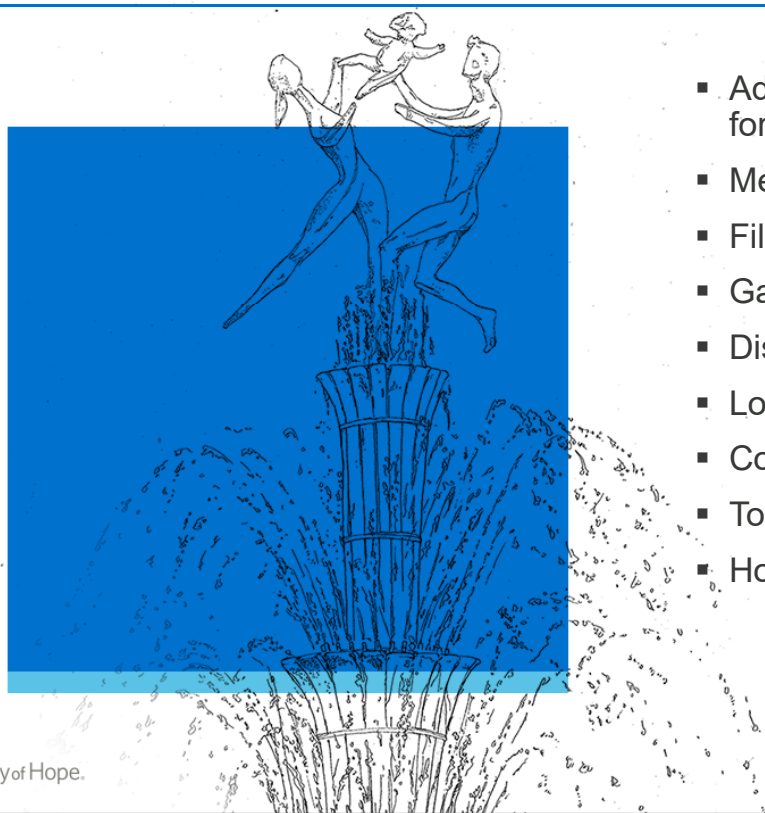


Fundraising events-online
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advisors/counselors



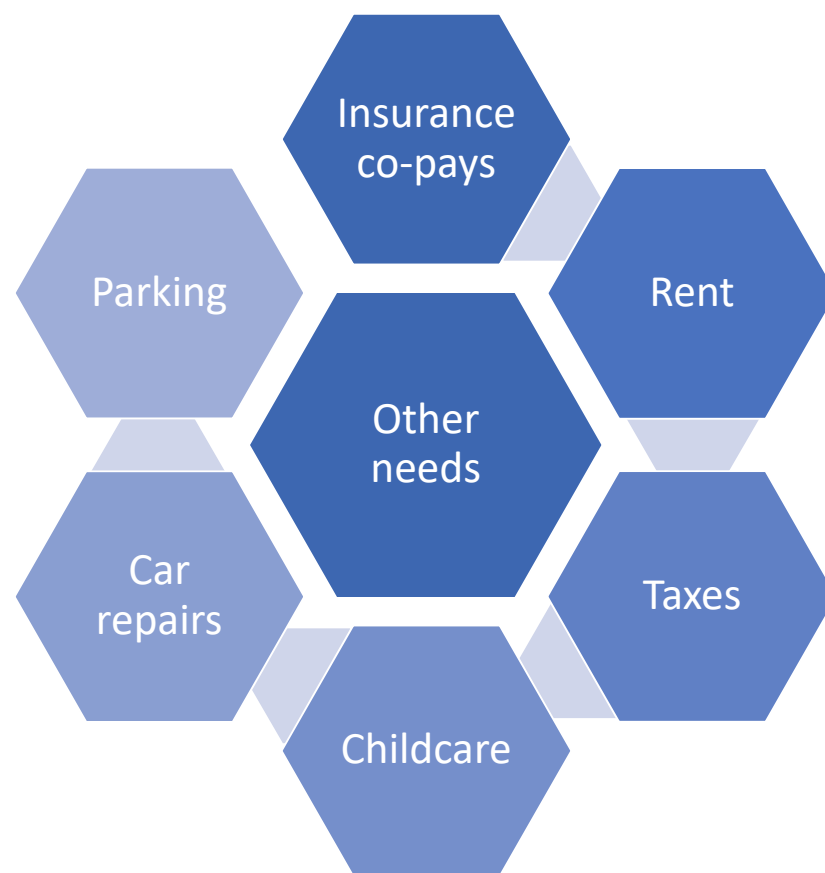
Prescription assistance
programs

Institution Specific Resources



- Adopt a Family: Program around holidays for families in need
- Meal vouchers
- Fill the backpack
- Gas cards
- Discount store gift cards
- Lodging assistance
- Comfort cart
- Toy closet
- Holiday shopping event

(M. Rouse, personal communication, August 17, 2021)





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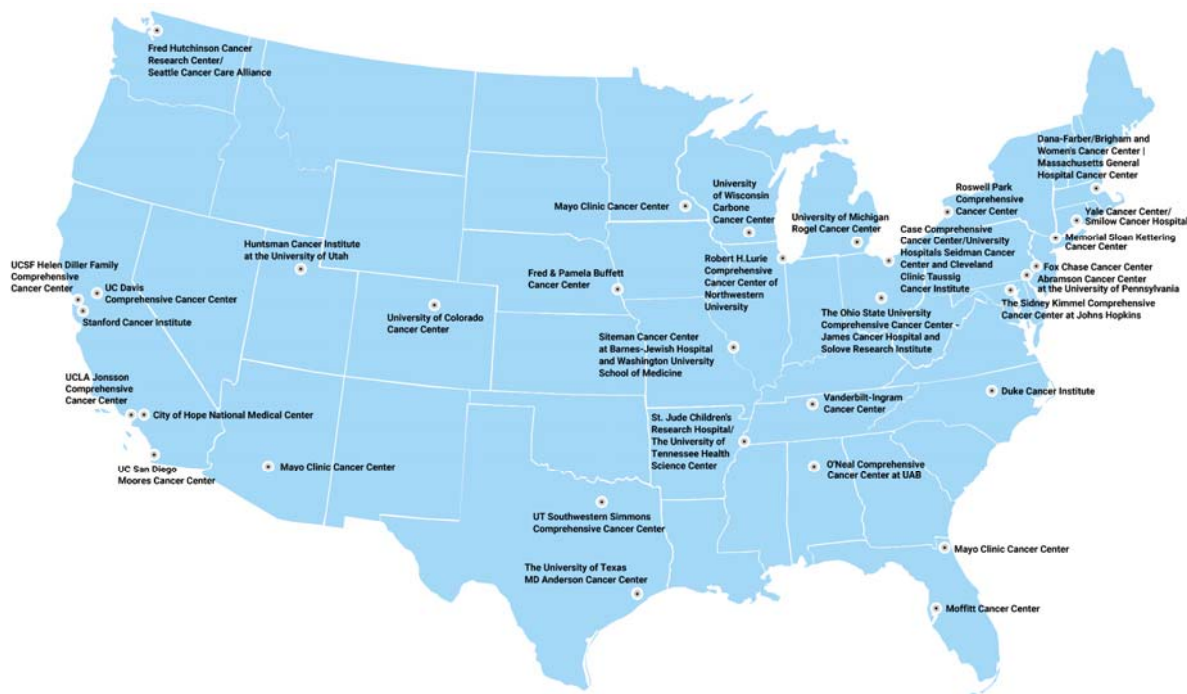


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