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Navigating Insurance and Finances in a World of Cancer Debt

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Financial Toxicity & Insurance Optimization

Financial Toxicity

Financial Toxicity describes problems a cancer patient encounters related to the cost of treatment - "How am I going to pay for this?"

Insurance Education and Optimization

Questions to consider -

What's excluded from my plan?

Does my plan follow ACA guidelines? (Be wary of cost-sharing ministries, this is NOT insurance)

What included in my plan that might be helpful? (i.e. transportation assistance)

Are there other options offered through my employer?

When is open enrollment?

Am I eligible for options through the marketplace?

Does my spouse or partner have a better option for coverage offered through their employer?

Does it make sense to be ensured by two/both plans? (Remember to coordinate benefits if so)

What else can I do?

It's never too early or soon to ask for help – financial conversations and assistance should start as soon as you receive your cancer diagnosis

- Use in-network providers whenever possible**
- Ask for estimates of cost up front**
- Request that an oncology social worker or financial case manager be assigned to assist**
- Make friends and take names!**
- Recruit family, friends, neighbors & coworkers**
- Use me/call me**

You can reach me on the Alliance Helpline at **877-422-2030** or at **csonneborn@ccalliance.org**

How can the Alliance help?

Personalized Insurance Navigation

You can reach me on the Alliance Helpline at 877-422-2030 or at csonneborn@ccalliance.org to schedule complimentary one-on-one consultation

Support and Financial Resource Guide

Our guide can be accessed on our website at www.ccalliance.org

Blue Hope Nation - "Did you Know?"

Our private Facebook support community



Blue Hope Treatment Award Program

The grant application resides on our website at www.ccalliance.org

Thank you for being here today!

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