



The
Assistance
Fund



We Envision the Day...

WHEN NO PERSON GOES WITHOUT TREATMENT
BECAUSE OF AN INABILITY TO PAY

Cost should not be a barrier to accessing your treatment.

The Assistance Fund helps patients facing high medical out-of-pocket costs by providing financial assistance for coinsurance, deductibles, and other health-related expenses. Our mission is to provide underinsured people living with life-threatening, chronic, and rare diseases access to critical treatment through financial assistance, education, and advocacy.

GIVING FOR EVERYDAY IMPACT



96% of expenditures go to program services directly associated with patient assistance.



We help patients across the country in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico.



We have assisted nearly 135,000 patients since 2009.



Our Patient Advocates answer nearly 125,000 calls a year.



We process more than 600,000 claims a year.

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How We Help

HOW DOES THE ASSISTANCE FUND WORK?

Patients who have insurance may be eligible for financial assistance for copayments, coinsurance, deductibles, and other health-related expenses for FDA-approved medications for diseases on our Covered Diseases list. The type of assistance may vary depending on the disease. In 2020, we assisted nearly 60,000 from all 50 states, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE?

U.S. residents who currently have insurance, including Medicare, Medicaid, TRICARE, and private coverage, and have been diagnosed with a disease for which we have an open disease program may apply for financial assistance for FDA-approved therapies. The Assistance Fund will verify your financial need and that you are not currently receiving assistance from another independent charitable patient assistance organization.

HOW DO I APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE?

To determine whether you are eligible for financial assistance, complete an application on our website (www.tafcares.org) or call (855) 845-3663 to speak with a Patient Advocate. Our caring and supportive bilingual Patient Advocates answer nearly 125,000 calls per year.

WHAT DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED TO APPLY?

You will be asked to verify your demographic, insurance, and financial information.

CAN I USE MY USUAL PHARMACY?

Our copay assistance can be used at any pharmacy, as long as the pharmacy is in-network with your primary insurance and is able to dispense your medication.

DISEASE PROGRAM WAITLISTS:

If a disease program is not accepting new applicants, eligible patients may join the program's waitlist. TAF's disease program waitlists allow patients to enroll on a first-come, first-served basis when new funding becomes available. Learn more: tafcares.org/wait-list-faq/.

HOW LONG WILL I BE ABLE TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?

If you meet the eligibility criteria, you will receive program participation approval. Financial assistance is provided on a calendar-year basis (unless otherwise specified for the applicable program), with the opportunity to renew each year.



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I AM A PATIENT ADVOCATE.

"I have the privilege of helping patients in need get financial assistance for their critical treatment. I help them focus on getting better and enjoying their time with their families, without having to worry about whether they can afford their medications."



I HAVE PROSTATE CANCER.

"When I learned about The Assistance Fund, it was definitely a relief. The peace of mind knowing that I can afford my medication is priceless."

Covered Diseases

For the most current list of covered diseases, please visit our website: www.tafcares.org. New disease programs may open at any time.

Acromegaly	Lysosomal Acid Lipase Deficiency
Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Melanoma
Alpha-1 Antitrypsin Deficiency	MPS Type 1
Amyloidosis	MPS VII-Sly Syndrome
Ankylosing Spondylitis	Multiple Sclerosis Copay
Atypical Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome (AHUS)	Multiple Sclerosis HIPTIME
Bladder Cancer (Federal)	Myasthenia Gravis
Breast Cancer	Myositis
Chronic Granulomatous Disease (CGD)	Nephrotic Syndrome
Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia	Neuroendocrine Tumors
Clostridium Difficile-Associated Diarrhea	Neuromyelitis Optica Spectrum Disorder
COVID-19	Neurotrophic Keratitis
Crohn's Disease	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
Cystic Fibrosis	Nontuberculous Mycobacterial Lung Disease
Cystinosis	Parathyroid Diseases (Hypoparathyroidism, Hyperparathyroidism)
Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy	Parkinson's Disease
Epilepsy (Seizures)	Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoglobinuria
Fabry Disease	Pompe Disease
Gastric Cancer	Porphyria
Gaucher Disease	Primary Biliary Cholangitis (Cirrhosis)
Gout	Primary Hyperoxaluria
Head and Neck Cancer	Primary Immunodeficiency
Hemophilia	Prostate Cancer
Hepatitis C	Psoriasis
Hereditary Angioedema	Psoriatic Arthritis
Hodgkin Lymphoma	Pulmonary Hypertension
Hunter Syndrome	Renal Cell Carcinoma
Hypophosphatasia	Rheumatoid Arthritis
Hypophosphatemia	Sarcoidosis
Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis	Short Bowel Syndrome
Infantile Spasms	Skin and Skin Structure Infections
Inherited Retinal Diseases	Thrombocytopenia
Iron Deficiency Anemia	Thyroid Eye Disease (TED)
Juvenile Arthritis	Tumor-Induced Osteomalacia
Lambert-Eaton Myasthenic Syndrome (LEMS)	Ulcerative Colitis
Long-Chain Fatty Acid Oxidation Disorders	Urea Cycle Disorders
Lupus	Uveitis