Resources and Support for Breast Cancer Patients

Support Groups & Helplines

**Roswell Park’s CancerConnect**
community.roswellpark.org  Available 24/7
For anyone whose life has been touched by cancer; connect with Roswell patients as well as the national CancerConnect community.

**For the Breast of Us**
breastofus.com/breast-cancer-baddie-directory
An inclusive online community for women of color diagnosed with breast cancer; offers “Breast Cancer Baddie Directory” to help find women of color affected by breast cancer and private Facebook page for community support.

**After Breast Cancer Diagnosis (ABCD)**
abcdbreastcancersupport.org  Phone: 800-977-4121
Provides free, customized, one-to-one emotional support to anyone impacted by a breast cancer diagnosis including family and friends; pairs people who share a similar diagnosis and treatment plan.

**American Cancer Society**
cancer.org  Phone: 800-227-2345
Online community by and for people with cancer and their families; includes discussion boards, chat rooms, and private e-mail communications.

**As We Are Now LLC**
amyhartl.com  Phone: 716-215-2621,
Offers private Facebook group for women at all stages of their breast cancer diagnosis. Also offers oncology massage and lymphatic drainage. Email hello@amyhartl.com, or visit www.lmt.amyhartl.com

**Bosom Buddies of WNY**
Phone: 716-652-1930 or 716-698-7717
Connects newly diagnosed with survivors for informal friendship and support.

**Breast Cancer Coalition of Rochester Inc**
bccr.org  Phone: 585-473-8177
Serving those diagnosed with breast or GYN cancers in western and central NY; services include peer mentoring, virtual and in person support groups, and individual education sessions on managing your diagnosis.
Breast Cancer Network of WNY  
bcnwny.org  Phone: 716-706-0060
Offers “TLC Tote Program” containing info and comfort items; Adopt-a-Family offers financial assistance to families; various support groups and monthly education programs. Call for dates and times.

Cancer Care Hopeline  
cancercare.org  Phone: 800-813-4673
Available Monday – Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Offers counseling, case management, online support groups, education, and financial assistance.

Komen for the Cure  
komen.org  Phone: 877-465-6636
Offers free support from trained oncology social workers, as well as guidance to local resources; Helpline available Mon.-Fri., 9:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. (in Spanish and English)

Living Beyond Breast Cancer Helpline  
lbbc.org  Phone: 888-753-5222
Connects you to a trained volunteer, diagnosed with breast cancer, for emotional support, guidance and hope. Offers private Facebook Groups and YWiConnect (free text message service for young women with breast cancer).

Metastatic Breast Cancer Network  
mbcnetwork.org  Phone: 888-500-0370
Offers links to various support groups and helplines for women with metastatic breast cancer.

SHARE  
sharecancersupport.org  Phone: 844-275-7427
latina.sharecancersupport.org
Available 7 days a week 9:30 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. in 20 languages
Connects you with a peer with a similar diagnosis and treatment. Online and phone support groups.

We Can Row Buffalo  
wecanrowbuffalo.com  Phone: 716-681-3333
Offers group support while actively participating in the sport of rowing.

Young Survival Coalition  
youngsurvival.org  Phone: 877-972-1011 or 646-257-3000
Focuses exclusively on unique issues of young women with breast cancer; connect with online community 24/7; one-to-one peer support from a trained survivor volunteer; connect on Facebook (youngsurvivorcoalition), Twitter (@YSCBuzz), YouTube (YSC YoungSurvival), Instagram (youngsurvivalcoalition).
Prostheses and Adaptive Bras

Ashley’s Lingerie & Swimwear (formerly Blums)
shopashleys.com
Phone: 716-633-8999
5501 Main Street, Suite 2, Williamsville NY, 14221   Mon.- Sat., 10:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m., Sun., 11:00 - 4:00
Bras and swimsuits for post mastectomy patients.

AuNaturel
aunaturelboutique.com  Phone: 716-839-7144
5977 Main St., Williamsville, NY 14221   By appointment only, Monday – Thursday, 9:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.,
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Professional fitters to measure you for breast prosthetics, balance shapers, surgical bras, post mastectomy
camisoles, and swimwear.

Bay City Ortho – Jamestown
Phone: 716-483-0289
560 W Third St., Jamestown NY 14701   Mon-Fri: 9 am- 5 pm.  Sat & Sunday: Closed
Professional fitters for post mastectomy products. Call for appointment.

Buffalo Pharmacy
1479 Kensington Ave, Buffalo NY, 14215   716-832-7742
6035 Transit Rd, East Amherst NY, 14051   716-625-9288
Bras, prosthesis*Insurance Accepted*
buffalopharmacies.com

Her Story
Herstorybuffalo.com  herstorybuffalo@gmail.com
Phone:716-886-6457
1438 Hertel Ave., Buffalo NY 14216   Wed. – Sat., 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Post-surgery bras and lingerie

Knitted Knockers
knittedknockers.org
Knitted Knockers are hand knit or crocheted breast prosthesis by volunteers for women who have
undergone mastectomies; visit website to request.

Lands’ End Mastectomy Swimwear
Landsend.com (search for “mastectomy swimwear”)  Phone:1-800-963-4816
Specialized post mastectomy swimwear
Look Good Feel Better
lookgoodfeelbetter.org
Offers live virtual workshops where you can learn about skin care, makeup, wigs, head coverings, nail care, body image, and styling.

Masthead
mastheadpink.com info@mastheadpink.com Phone: 855-233-5224
Specially designed Elizabeth Pink Surgical Bra for post breast surgery patients.

Recovery Shirt
therecoveryshirt.com
A specially designed shirt for male breast cancer patients for post op recovery, doctor visits, radiation, chemo, sleeping and daywear.

Sheridan Surgical
sheridansurgical.com info@sheridansurgical.com
Phone: 716-836-8780
4513 Bailey Ave, Buffalo NY 14226 Mon.-Fri., 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Sat, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Prosthesis and bras for mastectomy and lumpectomy patients.

Taylor’d Beauty
taylordbeauty.com email: info@taylordbeauty.com
Phone: 716-508-0802
2813 Wehrle Dr Suite 13, Williamsville NY 14221 Tues.-Fri., 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Nipple and areola reconstructive tattooing

Tender Loving Care (TLC)
tlcdirect.org Phone: 800-850-9445
American Cancer Society’s publication, TLS, offers products for women coping with cancer treatments that cause hair loss; products include wigs, hairpieces, hats, turbans, breast forms, mastectomy bras and mastectomy swimwear. Visit their website to order products.

Thelma’s Mastectomy Boutique
Thelmasboutique.com info@thelmasboutique.com
Phone: 585-256-2460
1057 E Henrietta Rd, Suite 300, Rochester, NY 14623
Professional fitters for post mastectomy products. Call for appointment.
Financial Assistance

Roswell Park Financial Office  Located on ground floor of the main hospital
Phone: 716-845-4782
New York State residents who are uninsured or have difficulty paying their out-of-pocket costs at Roswell Park may be eligible for discounts; call our financial counselors for assistance.

The Assistance Fund
tafcares.org  Phone: 855-730-5871
Helps patients facing high medical out-of-pocket costs by providing financial assistance for coinsurance, deductibles, and other health-related expenses. Visit enroll.tafcares.org to apply.

Breast Cancer Network of WNY Metastatic Fund
bcnwny.org  Phone: 716-706-0060
Provides financial assistance for metastatic breast cancer patients; apply online at bcnwny.org.

Cancer Care
cancercare.org/financial  Phone: 800-813-4673
Offers limited financial assistance for cancer-related costs such as transportation and childcare, and our oncology social workers can help you find resources.

Health Well Foundation
healthwellfoundation.org  Phone: 800-675-8416
Offers financial assistance for insurance copays, premiums, and deductibles as well as out of pocket expenses for supplies, supplements, and surgeries. To apply, visit www.healthwellfoundation.org/patients/apply

Komen Financial Assistance Program
komen.org  Phone: 877-465-6636
Financial assistance for eligible individuals undergoing breast cancer treatment; offers links to other financial assistance programs. Email: helpline@komen.org

Living Beyond Breast Cancer Fund
lbbc.org/get-support/financial-assistance
Provides one-time grants to help ease the financial burden of breast cancer; distributed to help people in active treatment for early-stage breast cancer or living with metastatic breast cancer; can be used to pay vital expenses such as rent, utility bills, car payments, and car insurance.
National Cancer Assistance Foundation
natcaf.org  Phone: 866-413-5789
Provides financial assistance for breast cancer patients such as rent, utilities, transportation, groceries, lodging while at treatment, childcare costs, and other essential living expenses; to apply visit www.natcaf.org/request-assistance

Needy Meds
Needymeds.org  Phone: 800-503-6897
Connects patients with organizations in their state that offer financial assistance for medication costs.

Patient Advocate Foundation Co-Pay Relief Fund
copays.org/patients-family  Phone: 866-532-5274
Helps eligible cancer patients pay for co-pays, co-insurance, deductibles, prescriptions, and out-of-pocket expenses. Visit their website to apply.

The Pink Fund
thepinkfund.org  Phone: 877-234-7465
Offers short-term financial aid to breast cancer patients in active treatment; direct bill payments for health insurance premiums, mortgage, rent, utilities, car payments, and car insurance.

United Breast Cancer Foundation
ubcf.org
Offers programs and services to support families and individuals dealing with breast cancer; financial services include individual grants, in-kind donation items, child sponsorship program, assistance with cost of reconstructive surgery.

Women’s Cancer Fund
womenscancerfund.org  Phone: 832-270-8300
Provides financial assistance for rent and utility costs for women diagnosed with breast cancer; funds are disbursed monthly based on individual need and availability of funds. Visit their website to apply.
Fertility and Pregnancy Resources

Buffalo Infertility & IVF Associates
Phone: 716-839-3057
4510 Main Street, Suite 200
Buffalo, NY 14226

CNY Fertility Buffalo
Phone: 716-688-5131
835 Hopkins Rd Buffalo, NY 14221

Livestrong Fertility Assistance Program
livestrong.org/fertility-clinic-search
Livestrong partners with fertility clinics through the country to provide discounted fertility preservation rates to people affected by cancer before and after treatment. Visit their website to find a fertility clinic in your area.

Hope for Two: The Pregnant with Cancer Network
hopefortwo.org Phone: 1-800-743-4471
Offers free support for women diagnosed with cancer while pregnant; connect women who are currently pregnant with cancer with other women who have experienced a similar cancer diagnosis.

Multicultural, Multilingual, and LGBTQIA+ Resources

Komen para la cura (Komen for the Cure)
komen.org
Education, resources, and support offered in Spanish for breast cancer patients.

SHARE
latina.sharecancersupport.org
Education, resources, and support offered in Spanish and 18 other languages for breast cancer patients.

Sisters Network Inc
sistersnetworkinc.org Phone: 866-781-1808
A national African American breast cancer survivorship organization

Facing our risk Cancer Empowered (FORCE)
Enfrentando Nuestro Riesgo
facingourrisk.org Phone: 866-288-7475
Offering education and support for Spanish speaking and LGBTQIA+ community.
Homecare Resources

Assisting Angels  
Phone: 716-741-1330  
Offers general daily assistance for seniors in need; services are non-medical and include transportation, medication management, meals.

Cleaning for a Reason  
cleaningforareason.org  
Provides free home cleaning to patients battling cancer; Visit their website to apply.

Comfort Keepers  
comfortkeepers.com  Phone: 716-674-0061  
Provides in-home care for seniors in need of assistance with daily activities. Available in Orchard Park.

Male Breast Cancer Resources

American Cancer Society Breast Cancer in Men  
cancer.org/cancer/breast-cancer-in-men.html  
Information on breast cancer in men, including risk factors, symptoms, how it is found, and how it is treated.

BreastCancer.org  
breastcancer.org/types/male-breast-cancer  
Information on breast cancer in men, including risk factors, symptoms, how it is found, and how it is treated.

Male Breast Cancer Coalition  
malebreastcancercoalition.org  Phone: 913-362-2196  
Offers education, resources, and advocacy for male breast cancer patients; monthly men only virtual support groups. Email: mmpeggy@gmail.com

National Cancer Institute (NCI) Male Breast Cancer Treatment  
cancer.gov/types/breast/patient/male-breast-treatment-pdq  
An NCI database that contains the latest information about male breast cancer treatments, screening, prevention, genetics, supportive care, and complementary and alternative medicine, plus drug information and a dictionary of cancer terms.

The Recovery Shirt  
therecoveryshirt.com  
A specially designed shirt for male breast cancer patients for post-op recovery, doctor visits, radiation, chemo, sleeping and day wear.
Roswell Park Resources

11 Day Power Play Cancer Resource Center
Mon.-Fri., 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Provides information, support, resources, educational materials, and referrals to Roswell Park resources.
Located on the first floor of the hospital by the Tower elevators.

Elevate Salon
Phone: 716-845-8659
Patients experiencing hair loss due to cancer treatment are eligible to receive one complimentary wig and a complimentary head covering. Professional stylists are available by appointment. Located on the first floor of the Clinical Sciences Center near the entrance to the Breast Oncology Center.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact
Rachel Wallmeyer, Patient Navigator for the Breast Center
Phone: 716-845-1300 ext 7218
Email: rachel.wallmeyer@roswellpark.org