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hope, guidance, education and  
**SUPPORT**

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for policies that protect patient  
access to lifesaving treatments

## Why our work matters

Blood cancers are the third leading cancer killer of Americans



EVERY  
**3 MINUTES**  
SOMEONE IS DIAGNOSED  
WITH A BLOOD CANCER.  
EVERY NINE MINUTES,  
SOMEONE DIES FROM ONE.



MORE THAN  
**1.3 MILLION**  
ARE LIVING WITH OR IN  
REMISSION FROM  
LEUKEMIA, LYMPHOMA  
AND MYELOMA.



MORE THAN  
**ONE THIRD**  
OF BLOOD CANCER  
PATIENTS DO NOT SURVIVE  
FIVE YEARS AFTER  
DIAGNOSIS.

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**\$1.2  
BILLION  
INVESTED**

There is no way to prevent or screen for most blood cancers, so we focus on finding cures. We prioritize research based on unmet medical needs, and support it at every stage—from early laboratory research to clinical trials that lead to drug approvals by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration. We have:

- Helped advance nearly every therapy used to treat blood cancer patients today.
- Funded many of today's most promising advances, including immunotherapy, genomics, and precision medicine.

## We provide EDUCATION and SUPPORT to patients and their families

As the leading source of free blood cancer information, education and support for patients, survivors, families and healthcare professionals, we help patients navigate their cancer treatments and access quality, affordable and coordinated care. We provide:

**INFORMATION SPECIALISTS.** Master's level oncology social workers, nurses and health educators who compassionately work one-on-one with patients and caregivers to provide personalized disease and treatment information and support.

**CLINICAL TRIAL SUPPORT CENTER.** Registered nurses with expertise in blood cancers who guide patients through the clinical trial process.

**FREE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES & PROGRAMS.** Disease booklets, educational workshops, webcasts, podcasts, teleconferences and more.

**FREE SUPPORT SERVICES.** Local support groups, a peer-to-peer support program, facilitated online chats, an online social network called LLS Community and more.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.** Programs and resources to defray some of the costs of insurance, prescription drugs and required travel for those in treatment.

**PERSONALIZED NUTRITION CONSULTATIONS.** Free one-on-one nutrition consultations with a registered dietitian with expertise in oncology nutrition.

## We drive **ADVOCACY** for policies that protect patient access to treatment

LLS advocates at the state and federal level. We drive policies that accelerate new treatments to patients and ensure patients have access to quality, affordable care so that they can live longer, healthier lives.

MORE THAN  
**100,000**  
VOLUNTEER ADVOCATES

Acting as the voice for blood cancer patients by sharing their personal stories with state and federal policymakers.

ORAL PARITY LAWS ADVANCED IN  
**43 STATES**  
AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Ensuring patients taking oral medications at home have the same health plan coverage as patients treated in a clinic. While this is one example, LLS advocates to protect and promote access on many other policy fronts.

## Our work is making an **IMPACT** in the blood cancers

Since the  
**1960s,**  
survival rates for many blood cancer patients have doubled, tripled or even quadrupled

LLS is the largest nonprofit dedicated to fighting blood cancers. We work tirelessly to find cures and ensure patients can access the lifesaving treatments they need, and our work is making an impact:

- We've seen an average decline of 20 percent in blood cancer death rates since the 1990s.
- The five-year survival rate for children with the most commonly diagnosed pediatric cancer, acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL), has improved from 3 percent in 1964 to more than 90 percent today.

## And this impact is benefiting the broader cancer community.

- Many of the innovative approaches to cancer treatment, including advances in immunotherapy, genomics and precision medicine, were first discovered in blood cancers.
- We advocate for public policies that are universally beneficial for all cancer patients.

### Get in touch with us:

#### INFORMATION AND SUPPORT:

Call our Information Resource Center or visit our website—**800.955.4572** or [www.LLS.org](http://www.LLS.org)

#### LOCATIONS:

Find one of our 50+ local chapters in the U.S. and Canada—[www.LLS.org/chapters](http://www.LLS.org/chapters)

#### GET INVOLVED:

Learn how you can volunteer or donate—**888.HELP.LLS** or [www.LLS.org](http://www.LLS.org)