National Hematologic Diseases Information Service





Directory of Hematologic Diseases Organizations

This directory lists Government agencies and professional and voluntary associations that provide information and resources related to hematologic diseases. Some of these organizations offer educational materials and other services to patients and the general public, while others primarily serve health care providers.

NIDDK-funded Centers of Excellence in Molecular Hematology

Cincinnati Center of Excellence in Molecular Hematology (CCEMH)

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Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

3333 Burnet Avenue

Cincinnati, OH 45229-3026

Phone: 1–800–344–2462 or 1–877–881–8479 (outside tri-state area)

TTY: 513-636-4900

Email: yi.zheng@cchmc.org

Internet: www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/e/ex-hem/center-of-excellence-

in-molecular-hematology/

Core Center for Excellence in Hematology (CCEH)

Beverly J. Torok-Storb, Principal Investigator 1100 Fairview Avenue North, D1–100

P.O. Box 19024 Seattle, WA 98109 Phone: 206–667–4549 Fax: 206 –667–5978

Email: btorokst@fhcrc.org
Internet: http://cceh.fhcrc.org/

Government Agencies and Professional and Voluntary Organizations

AABB

8101 Glenbrook Road Bethesda, MD 20814–2749 Phone: 301–907–6977 Fax: 301–907–6895

Email: aabb@aabb.org Internet: www.aabb.org

Mission: To advance the practice and standards of transfusion medicine and cellular therapies to optimize patient and donor care and safety.

Services provided:

Accreditation programs and standards of practice
Blood bank locator
Educational programs, meetings, and events for health care providers
Information for the media
Publications for health care providers
Resources

American Hemochromatosis Society, Inc. (AHS)

P. O. Box 950871

Lake Mary, FL 32795-0871

Phone: 1-888-655-IRON (1-888-655-4766) or 407-829-4488

Fax: 407-333-1284

Email: mail@americanhs.org Internet: www.americanhs.org

Mission: To educate and support people with HFE-associated hereditary hemochromatosis—genetic iron overload—and their families, to educate the medical community about the latest research on the disease, and to identify through genetic testing the more than 43 million Americans who unknowingly carry the single or double gene mutations for hereditary hemochromatosis, which puts them at risk for loading excess iron.

Services provided:

Information for the media Physician referral program Resources

American Porphyria Foundation (APF)

4900 Woodway, Suite 780 Houston, TX 77056–1837

Phone: 1-866-APF-3635 (1-866-273-3635) or 713-266-9617

Fax: 713-840-9552

Internet: www.porphyriafoundation.com

Mission: To improve the health and well-being of individuals and families affected by porphyria by enhancing public awareness about porphyria, developing educational programs and distributing educational materials about porphyria, and supporting research to improve treatment and lead to a cure. The APF also serves as an advocate to other public, private, and Government agencies interested in funding research and educational programs.

Services provided:

Continuing medical education (CME) Information for the media National Porphyria Registry Publications for health care providers Resources

American Red Cross

2025 E Street NW Washington, D.C. 20006

Phone: 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or 202-303-5214

Internet: www.redcross.org

Mission: To provide relief to victims of disaster and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies. Red Cross services include community services that help the needy; collection, processing, and distribution of lifesaving blood and blood products; educational programs that promote health and safety; and international relief and development aid.

Services provided:

Blood donation Information for the media Local Red Cross locator Resources

American Society for Apheresis (ASFA)

201–375 West 5th Avenue Vancouver, BC, Canada V5Y 1J6

Phone: 604–484–2851 Fax: 604–874–4378

Email: asfa@apheresis.org Internet: www.apheresis.org

Mission: To advance apheresis medicine for patients, donors, and practitioners through education, evidence-based practice, research, and advocacy.

Services provided:

Clinical practice guidelines Educational programs and meetings for health care providers Publications for health care providers and patients

American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)

2318 Mill Road, Suite 800 Alexandria, VA 22314 Phone: 571–483–1300 Internet: www.asco.org

Mission: To conquer cancer through research, education, prevention, and delivery of high-quality patient care.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy
Clinical practice guidelines
Continuing medical education (CME)
Educational programs and meetings for health care providers
Publications for health care providers
Resources

American Society of Gene & Cell Therapy (ASGCT)

555 East Wells Street, Suite 1100 Milwaukee, WI 53202 Phone: 414–278–1341

Fax: 414–276–3349 Email: info@asgct.org Internet: www.asgct.org

Mission: To advance knowledge, awareness, and education leading to the discovery and clinical application of genetic and cellular therapies to alleviate human disease.

Services provided:

Educational programs and meetings for health care providers Information for the media Publications for health care providers Resources

American Society of Hematology (ASH)

2021 L Street, NW, Suite 900 Washington, D.C. 20036 Phone: 202–776–0544 Fax: 202–776–0545

Internet: www.hematology.org

Mission: To further the understanding, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of disorders affecting the blood, bone marrow, and the immunologic, hemostatic, and vascular systems by promoting research, clinical care, education, training, and advocacy in hematology.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy
Certification activities
Clinical practice guidelines
Continuing medical education (CME)
Educational programs and meetings for health care providers
Hematologist locator
Publications for health care providers and patients
Research

American Society of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology (ASPHO)

8735 West Higgins Road, Suite 300 Chicago, IL 60631 Phone: 847–375–4716

Fax: 847–375–6483 Email: info@aspho.org Internet: www.aspho.org

Mission: To promote optimal care of children and adolescents with blood disorders and cancer by advancing research, education, treatment, and professional practice.

Services provided:

Certification activities
Continuing medical education (CME)
Educational programs and meetings for health care providers

America's Blood Centers (ABC)

725 15th Street NW, Suite 700 Washington, D.C. 20005

Phone: 1-888-USBLOOD (1-888-872-5663) or 202-393-5725

Fax: 202–393–1282

Internet: www.americasblood.org

Mission: To help member blood centers serve their communities.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy Blood donor registry Publications for health care providers, patients, and students Resources

Aplastic Anemia & MDS International Foundation

100 Park Avenue, Suite 108 Rockville, MD 20850

Phone: 1-800-747-2820 or 301-279-7202

Fax: 301–279–7205 Email: help@aamds.org Internet: www.aamds.org

Mission: To support patients and families living with aplastic anemia, myelodysplastic syndromes, paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria, and related bone marrow failure diseases.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy
Continuing medical education (CME)
Educational programs for health care providers
Information for the media
Patient and family conferences
Resources
Support groups

Be The Match (Operated by the National Marrow Donor Program [NMDP])

National Marrow Donor Program 3001 Broadway Street NE, Suite 100 Minneapolis. MN 55413–1753

Phone: 1–800–MARROW2 (1–800–627–7692) or 612–627–5800 (Outside the U.S.)

Internet: www.marrow.org or www.bethematch.org

Mission: To help people diagnosed with leukemia and other life-threatening diseases get a bone marrow or cord blood transplant from a matching donor.

Services provided:

Clinical guidelines
Continuing medical education (CME)
Donor match registry
Educational programs and events for health care providers and patients
Publications for health care providers and patients
Research
Resources

Children's Cancer & Blood Foundation (CCBF)

333 East 38th Street, Suite 830

New York, NY 10016 Phone: 212–297–4336 Fax: 212–297–4340

Email: info@childrenscbf.org Internet: www.childrenscbf.org

Mission: To support the comprehensive clinical care of children living with blood disorders, foster research to help understand the causes of childhood blood disorders, and sponsor the fellowship training of pediatricians in the subspecialty of pediatric hematology and oncology.

Services provided:

Resources

Cooley's Anemia Foundation (CAF)

330 Seventh Avenue, Suite 200 New York, NY 10001

Phone: 212-279-8090 or 1-800-522-7222

Fax: 212-279-5999

Internet: www.thalassemia.org

Mission: To advance the treatment and cure for Cooley's anemia/thalassemia major, enhance the quality of life of patients, and educate the medical community, trait carriers, and the public about Cooley's anemia/thalassemia major.

Services provided:

Clinical trails
Patient-family conferences
Resources

Diamond Blackfan Anemia Foundation, Inc. (DBAF)

P.O. Box 1092 West Seneca, NY 14224 Phone: 716–674–2818

Email: dbafoundation@juno.com Internet: www.dbafoundation.org

Mission: To collectively and actively generate funds for the charitable and scientific purpose of furthering, by clinical study, laboratory research, publication, and teaching, the knowledge of the disorder known as Diamond Blackfan Anemia (DBA); and to share this knowledge, to inform, to lend support, and to communicate with all families of DBA patients.

Services provided:

Patient registry
Publications for health care providers and patients
Support groups

Fanconi Anemia Research Fund, Inc.

1801 Willamette Street, Suite 200

Eugene, OR 97401

Phone: 1-888-FANCONI (1-888-326-2664) or 541-687-4658

Fax: 541–687–0548 Email: info@fanconi.org Internet: www.fanconi.org

Mission: To find effective treatments and a cure for Fanconi anemia and to provide education and support services to affected families worldwide.

Services provided:

Meetings and events for health care providers and patients Publications for health care providers and patients Support groups

Hemochromatosis.org (Formerly known as The Hemochromatosis Information Center)

P.O. Box 675 Taylors, SC 29687

Phone: 1-888-565-4766 or 864-292-1175

Email: info@irondisorders.org or cgarrison@irondisorders.org Internet: www.hemochromatosis.org or www.irondisorders.org

Mission: To increase awareness of the disorder and related issues among the public, professionals, and government agencies; encourage routine screenings; and promote research.

Services provided:

Publications for patients Resources

Hemophilia Federation of America (HFA)

820 First Street NE, Suite 720 Washington, D.C. 20002

Phone: 1-800-230-9797 or 202-675-6984

Fax: 972-616-6211

Email: info@hemophiliafed.org Internet: www.hemophiliafed.org

Mission: To assist and advocate for the bleeding disorders community.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy Support groups

HHT Foundation International, Inc.

P.O. Box 329 Monkton, MD 21111 Phone: 410–357–9932 Fax: 410–357–0655

Email: hhtinfo@hht.org Internet: www.hht.org

Mission: To find a cure for HHT while saving the lives and improving the well-being of individuals and families affected by HHT.

Services provided:

Resources

Histiocytosis Association (Formerly known as Histiocytosis Association of America)

332 North Broadway Pitman, NJ 08071 Phone: 856–589–6606 Fax: 856–589–6614 Email: info@histio.org Internet: www.histio.org

Mission: To raise awareness about histiocytic disorders, provide educational and emotional support, and fund research leading to better treatments and a cure.

Services provided:

Educational programs, meetings, and events for patients and their families Resources
Support groups

International Myeloma Foundation (IMF)

12650 Riverside Drive, Suite 206 North Hollywood, CA 91607–3421

Phone: 1-800-452-CURE (1-800-452-2873) or 818-487-7455

Fax: 818-487-7454

Email: TheIMF@myeloma.org Internet: www.myeloma.org

Mission: To educate patients, meet their emotional needs, and support myeloma research.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy
Educational programs and meetings for health care providers and patients
Information for the media
Research
Resources
Support groups

International Society on Thrombosis and Haemostasis (ISTH)

610 Jones Ferry Road, Suite 205 Carrboro, NC 27510

Phone: 919–929–3807 Fax: 919–929–3935 Internet: www.isth.org **Mission:** To advance education and stimulation of research into thrombosis and hemostasis through meetings, peer-reviewed publications, and expert committees on practical issues related to research methods and standards.

Services provided:

Educational programs and meetings for health care providers Publications for health care providers Resources

Iron Disorders Institute (IDI)

P.O. Box 675 Taylors, SC 29687

Phone: 1–888–565–IRON (1–888–565–4766) or 864–292–1175 Email: info@irondisorders.org or cgarrison@irondisorders.org Internet: www.irondisorders.org or www.hemochromatosis.org

Mission: To help people with iron disorders receive early, accurate, and complete diagnosis; appropriate treatment; and the equipment to live in good health.

Services provided:

Publications for patients Resources

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS)

1311 Mamaroneck Avenue, Suite 310

White Plains, NY 10605

Phone: 1-800-955-4572 or 914-949-5213

Fax: 914–949–6691 Email: infocenter@lls.org Internet: www.lls.org

Mission: To cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, and myeloma and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy Chapter locator Continuing medical education (CME) Educational programs for patients Publications for patients Support groups

Lymphoma Research Foundation (LRF)

115 Broadway, Suite 1301 New York, NY 10006

Phone: 212-349-2910 or 1-800-500-9976

Fax: 212-349-2886

Email: Irf@lymphoma.org or helpline@lymphoma.org

Internet: www.lymphoma.org

Mission: To fund innovative lymphoma research, provide people with lymphoma and health care professionals with up-to-date information about this type of cancer, and eradicate lymphoma and serve those touched by this disease.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy Chapter locator Educational programs and meetings for health care providers Publications for patients Support groups

March of Dimes

1275 Mamaroneck Avenue White Plains, NY 10605

Phone: 1-888-MODIMES (1-888-663-4637) or 914-997-4488

Fax: 914–428–8203

Email: askus@marchofdimes.com Internet: www.marchofdimes.com

Mission: To help moms have full-term pregnancies and research the problems that threaten the health of babies.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy
Chapter locator
Continuing nursing education (CNE)
Publications for health care providers and patients
Research
Resources

National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF)

116 West 32nd Street, 11th Floor

New York, NY 10001

Phone: 1-800-42-HANDI (1-800-424-2634)* or 212-328-3700

Fax: 212-328-3799* or 212-328-3777

Email: handi@hemophilia.org Internet: www.hemophilia.org

*NHF's Information Resource Center

Mission: To find better treatments and cures for bleeding and clotting disorders and to prevent the complications of these disorders through education, advocacy, and research.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy Resources Treatment center locator

National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD)

55 Kenosia Avenue Danbury, CT 06810 Phone: 203–744–0100 Fax: 203–798–2291

Internet: www.rarediseases.org

Mission: To help people with rare "orphan" diseases and assist the organizations that serve them. The NORD is committed to the identification, treatment, and cure of rare disorders through education, advocacy, research, and service programs.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy Publications for health care providers and patients Rare disease database

Plasma Protein Therapeutics Association (PPTA)

147 Old Solomons Island Road, Suite 100 Annapolis, MD 21401

Phone: 202–789–3100 Fax: 410–263–2298

Internet: www.pptaglobal.org

Mission: To promote the availability of and access to safe and effective plasma protein therapeutics for patients worldwide.

Services provided:

Educational programs, meetings, and events for health care providers Publications for health care providers Resources

Platelet Disorder Support Association (PDSA)

133 Rollins Avenue, Suite 5 Rockville, MD 20852

Phone: 1-87-PLATELET (1-877-528-3538) or 301-770-6636

Fax: 301–770–6638 Email: pdsa@pdsa.org Internet: www.pdsa.org

Mission: To enhance the lives of people with immune thrombocytopenia and other platelet disorders through education, advocacy, research, support, and communication.

Services provided:

Advocacy and public policy
Educational programs and meetings for health care providers
Publications for patients
Public service announcements (PSAs)
Support groups

Sickle Cell Disease Association of America, Inc. (SCDAA)

3700 Koppers Street, Suite 570

Baltimore, MD 21227

Phone: 1-800-421-8453 or 410-528-1555

Fax: 410-528-1495

Email: scdaa@sicklecelldisease.org Internet: www.sicklecelldisease.org

Mission: To advocate for and enhance our membership's ability to improve the quality of health, life, and services for individuals, families, and communities affected by sickle cell disease and related conditions, while promoting the search for a cure for all people in the world with sickle cell disease.

Services provided:

Educational programs and meetings for health care providers Publications for health care providers and patients

Society for Hematology and Stem Cells (ISEH)

330 North Wabash Avenue, Suite 2000

Chicago, IL 60611 Phone: 312–321–5114 Fax: 312–673–6923 Email: info@iseh.org Internet: www.iseh.org

Mission: To promote the scientific knowledge and clinical application of basic hematology, immunology, stem cell research, cell and gene therapy, and all related aspects through research, publications, discussion, support of young investigators, and organization of scientific meetings.

Services provided:

Educational programs and meetings for health care providers Publications for health care providers

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7 Information Way Bethesda, MD 20892–3571 Phone: 1–888–828–0877 TTY: 1–866–569–1162 Fax: 703–738–4929

Email: hematologic@info.niddk.nih.gov Internet: www.hematologic.niddk.nih.gov

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