

# **Financial Aid Policy 2023**

The Cayman Islands Cancer Society provides Financial Assistance to Cancer patients

- Who have resided in the Cayman Islands for an uninterrupted period of 24 months (or more)
- Who are legal residents and can provide proof of their residency.
- Who have little, or no, funding available to cover the costs related to their cancer care or basic daily living needs.

**Financial Aid is provided on an individual basis** after a completed Financial Aid Application has been submitted to CICS, <u>along with</u> all relevant diagnoses, release of information, insurance details, estimates and any other information that may be required outside of the information noted on the application form. The request made, along with the application, will then be provided to The Financial Aid Committee (FAC) who is responsible for determining whether aid can be provided. The FAC consists of 4-6 members who have been chosen by the Board of Directors, and will receive applications anonymously, consider each case on an individual basis, and respond to the request made within 3 working days.

#### Financial Aid could cover for the following instances:

- Proven Treatment Protocols.
- Outpatient Diagnostic Testing (e.g., X-ray, MRI, Blood Tests, Scans).
- Laboratory and Pathological Services.
- Lodging and Airfare for Patient and One Supporter during treatment.
- Prescribed Medications.
- Other items necessary for basic daily living needs as determined by the FA.

#### Financial Aid does not cover the following instances:

- Expenses incurred 30+days prior to submitting a complete application form for Financial Aid.
- Alternative treatments or therapies, and unproven, experimental, treatment Protocols.
- Applications received posthumously.
- Funeral Expenses.
- Travel related expenses not specifically mentioned including but not limited to food and car rental

The Cayman Islands Cancer Society will not endeavor to provide any Financial Aid Applicants or any relatives with medical opinions, alternative treatment locations or advice on their treatment options.

All applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. The granting of assistance in all cases is at the sole discretion of the Financial Aid Committee.

Failing to disclose any relevant information, providing false information or failing to advise of any change in financial circumstance after assistance has been provided may result in assistance being stopped immediately and further assistance being denied. In these cases, CICS may request that any financial assistance provided be re-imbursed within 10 days following a written request. Assistance may stop at any time at the absolute discretion of CICS. Any assistance will stop immediately upon the death of the patient.



The Cayman Islands Cancer Society provides financial assistance to qualified patients, who have been diagnosed with cancer - and assistance to their families. For us to access your eligibility, there are a series of forms that we need you to complete. You will also be required to provide supporting documents.

#### 1. CICS Financial Assistance Application Form

Enclosed is a copy of our application form for financial assistance. In order to expedite the processing of your application we ask that it be completed in its entirety at the time of submission – including the section in page 11 requesting that information on any other organization that may be providing or is considering the provision of financial aid.

#### 2. Diagnosis

In making our decision, it is necessary for a written diagnosis from your doctor to accompany your completed application. The appropriate form for your doctor to complete is attached (page 12).

#### 3. Release of Information

It may be necessary for CICS to obtain information from your health insurance provider or from other individuals; we therefore ask that you also complete the form in page 11 authorizing them to release information on your condition to the Cancer Society.

#### 4. Assistance with Outstanding Bills/Estimates

If you are requesting assistance with existing medical bills or other expenses associated with your illness, please attach copies of these bills to your application.

If you are seeking assistance with upcoming treatment and associated expenses, you must attach a quotation for the anticipated costs you will incur.

#### 5. Health Insurance Coverage

We will require that you provide CICS with a letter from your health insurance company stating what portion of your bills are not covered.

#### 6. Other Relevant Information

You may also include any other information that you feel is relevant.

Once your application and documents are received in full, it will be forwarded to the Financial Aid Committee who will make every effort to render a decision within (3) three working days upon receipt of your request. Should you require additional information or wish to check on your application, please call us at 949-7618 or email info@cics.ky

Yours Sincerely, Team CICS.





The Cayman Islands Cancer Registry is a collaborative effort between the Cayman Islands Cancer Society and the Health Services Authority.

All information collected is kept strictly confidential and is used for statistical purposes only.

When cancer survivors provide us with this basic information about their diagnosis, we get a clearer picture of how this disease impacts the community. Once we understand cancer trends in our population, we can do more to develop cancer and prevention strategies. Registering is fast and easy.

Please confirm:

• Can the CICS staff have the Cancer Registrar contact you directly about registering?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_

| Email: |
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## YOUR APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Please answer all questions.

If you need additional space to answer any question, please use the space provided in the **Additional Information** (page 10).

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Client Information**

| Client's (Patient) Name:                               |                                     |                |
|--|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Surname  | First Name                          | Middle Initial |
| Supporter's Name (Page 9):                             |                                     |                |
| Surname  | First Name                          | Middle Initial |
| Other Name/Names you are known by:                     |                                     |                |
| Gender (circle appropriate answer): Male /             | Female                              |                |
| Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY):                            | Age:                                |                |
| Home Phone: Work Phone:                                | Cell Phone:                         | Fax:           |
| Email:   |                                     |                |
| Mailing Address: P.O. Box Island:                      | Postal code:                        |                |
| Home Address: House #: St                              | reet:                               |                |
| District:  |                                     |                |
| Directions to your Home Address:                       |                                     |                |
| Do you own or rent the property where you live? (Cir   | cle appropriate answer) OWN / I     | RENT           |
| If renting – what is the lease period?                 |                                     |                |
| Marital Status (Circle appropriate answer) Single      | Married Divorced Separated          | Widowed        |
| Immigration Status:                                    |                                     |                |
| Caymanian Residenc                                     | y and Employment Rights Certificate | Holder         |
| Permanent Resident Work Per                            | rmit Holder                         |                |
| If not Caymanian – years of Residency in the Cayman    | Islands:                            |                |
| Do you have a disability? (Circle appropriate answer): | YES / NO                            |                |
| If you do, please share what your disability is        | ?                                   |                |



| Are you employed? (Circle appropriate answer): YES /                                | / NO                   |
|---|------------------------|
| Name of Employer and position:<br>Your supervisor's Name:                           |                        |
| Your work address:<br>Phone Number:   |                        |
| If you are un-employed: please state, the reason(s) for unemploy                    | ment:                  |
| Insurance Information   |                        |
| Do you have medical insurance (circle appropriate answer): Y<br>If NO state reason: |                        |
| If YES – Name of Company:   |                        |
| Policy ID:Employe   | ee Number:             |
| Address:Email address:  |                        |
| Contact Person:   |                        |
| What Does Your Insurance Not Cover?   |                        |
| Medical Information   |                        |
| Referral Source:  |                        |
| Name of your Doctor (in Cayman):  |                        |
| Doctor's Location:  | Phone Number:          |
| Date of last visit:   | _Date of next visit:   |
| Name of other Doctors treating you (including overseas):                            |                        |
| Doctor's location:  | Phone Number:          |
| Date of last visit:   | _Date of next visit:   |
| Diagnosis:  |                        |
| When were you diagnosed with cancer?  |                        |
| What treatments have you received to date (please include surge                     | eries and list dates): |
| Date and details of next scheduled treatment:                                       |                        |



#### **Other Agencies that provide Financial Support**

#### NAU - Needs Assessment Unit:

Are you seeing a Social Worker/Needs Assessment Unit Case Worker? (Circle appropriate answer) YES / NO If YES, what is your social worker/Needs Assessment Unit Case Worker's name:

| Email Address:   |               |                    |
|--|---------------|--------------------|
| Address:   | Phone Number: |                    |
| How long have you been working with NAU's Case Worker? | (# c          | days/weeks/Months) |

#### **OTHER:**

Have you requested financial assistance from other organizations or fund raisers such as GoFundMe or local fundraisers (circle appropriate answer): YES / NO

If you answered YES, please list the organization's name, contact person and phone number below:



#### **Financial Information:**

| Address:                     |             |                       | Ph                     | one Numbe   | r:                 |
|------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Balance in all Accounts: CIS | 5           | US\$                  |                        |             |                    |
| List any assets owned such   | as propert  | ty, land, businesses: |                        |             |                    |
| Your monthly Income:         |             |                       |                        |             |                    |
| Employment                   |             | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Spouse/Partner's Employm     | ient        | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Social Services              |             | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Child Maintenance            |             | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Relatives & Friends          |             | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Pension (including Seamen    | )           | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Other:                       |             | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Fundraisers or financial sup |             |                       | IMe page, Charity Walk | on your nar | ne, Donation Cans, |
| (Other organizations or ser  | vice clubs) |                       | nor month              |             |                    |
| TOTAL INCOME                 |             | CI\$                  | per month              |             |                    |
| Your monthly Expenses:       |             |                       |                        |             |                    |
| Rent/Mortgage                | CI\$        | per month             | Bank Loan              | CI\$        | per month          |
| Car gas/Transportation       | CI\$        | per month             | Pension                | CI\$        | per month          |
| Credit Cards                 | CI\$        | per month             | Water                  | CI\$        | per month          |
| Electricity                  | CI\$        | per month             | Cable TV               | CI\$        | per month          |
| Telephone                    | CI\$        | per month             | Internet/WIFI          | CI\$        | per month          |
| Domestic Helper              | CI\$        | per month             | Caregiver              | CI\$        | per month          |
| Groceries                    | CI\$        | per month             | Other Meals            | CI\$        | Per month          |
| Cigarettes                   | CI\$        | per month             | Alcoholic Beverages    | 5 CI\$      | per month          |
| School Fees                  | CI\$        | per month             | Life Insurance         | CI\$        | per month          |
| Health Insurance             | CI\$        | per month             | Car Insurance          | CI\$        | per month          |
| Child Maintenance            | CI\$        | per month             | Propane Gas            | CI\$        | per month          |
| Miscellaneous                | CI\$        | per month             | Other (please list)    | CI\$        | per month          |

TOTAL EXPENSES SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) CI\$\_\_\_\_\_ per month CI\$ \_\_\_\_\_ per month



### **Family Information of Client:**

| Supporter's Nam   | ne:                                 |            |            |                       |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
|                   | Surname                             | First Name |            | Middle Initial        |
| Relation to You:  |                                     |            |            |                       |
| Mailing Address   | (if different from the Patient's a  | ddress):   |            |                       |
| Applicant's Nam   | e (if different from the Client): _ |            |            |                       |
|                   |                                     | Surname    | First Name | Middle Initial        |
| Relationship to o | lient:                              |            | (i         | mmediate family only) |

| Household<br>Members/relation<br>to the patient | Full Name | Date of Birth<br>(DD/MM/YYYY) | Age | Nationality &<br>Immigration<br>Status. | Occupation |
|---|-----------|-------------------------------|-----|---|------------|
|   |           |                               |     |   |            |
|   |           |                               |     |   |            |
|   |           |                               |     |   |            |

## Spouse/Partner - Employment Information (if applicable):

| Name of Employer:                                       |               |   |
|---|---------------|---|
| Job title or Position:                                  |               | - |
| Address:  | Phone Number: |   |
| Email Address:  |               |   |
| If unemployed, please state the reason(s) for unemployr | nent:         |   |



## **Additional Information**



#### **Authorization for Release of Information**

I do hereby authorize all Doctors, Hospitals, Financial Institutions, Insurance Companies, Department of Children & Family Services and any other organization that may be assisting me with my medical expenses to release to the Cayman Islands Cancer society, or it's duly authorized representative(s), every information deemed necessary to complete the assessment of my application for Financial Assistance including but not limited to:

- □ Medical History.
- □ Medical Billing.
- Medical Costs.
- □ Insurance Coverage.
- Terms of employment (limited to renumeration, sick pay, insurance coverage).
- □ Bank Balances.
- □ Assistance being provided.

| Client's Name:                 | Da                      | te of Birth (dd/mm/yy): |  |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Other Names (That you are kr   | nown by):               |                         |  |
| Mailing Address:               |                         |                         |  |
| Telephone Numbers:             |                         |                         |  |
| Home:                          | Work:                   | Cell:                   |  |
| E-mail:                        |                         |                         |  |
|                                |                         |                         |  |
|                                |                         |                         |  |
| Witness' Signature:            |                         | Date:                   |  |
|                                |                         |                         |  |
| Client's Signature:            |                         | Date:                   |  |
|                                |                         |                         |  |
| Please provide following infor | mation if known to you: |                         |  |
| Health Insurance Provider:     |                         |                         |  |
| Group Policy #:                |                         | Individual Policy #:    |  |
| Medical Record Number (if av   | ailable):               |                         |  |



| To Whom It May Concern   | Date:                                 |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Re:  |                                       |
| Attached is an Authorization for Release of Information from t<br>who is requesting financial assistance from CICS for their medi                        | -                                     |
| 1. Primary Cancer:   | _                                     |
| 2. Date of Diagnosis:  | _ 3. Stage of Cancer:                 |
| 4. Please confirm if this is □ A new diagnosis or □  | A recurrence                          |
| 5. Additional Diagnosis Information:   |                                       |
| 6. Prognosis:  |                                       |
| 7. Is the patient currently receiving treatment? $\Box$  | YES 🗆 NO                              |
| 8. If NO, please go to question 10. If YES, please see   | circle all that apply:                |
| Surgery / Chemotherapy / Radiation / Clinical trial / Hormo  | nal / Palliative Care / Other (please |
| specify):  |                                       |
|  |                                       |
| 9. Other information regarding treatment:  |                                       |
| 10. If NO, is Post Treatment follow-up needed? □   |                                       |
| 11. Other relevant information:  |                                       |
| Physician's Signature:   | Date:                                 |
| Physician's Name:  |                                       |
| Institution:   |                                       |
| Address:   |                                       |
| Phone:   | FAX:                                  |
| Email:   |                                       |
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### **Checklist of required documents**

## The patient must provide copies of all the following:

#### **Client's personal Information:**

- Personal Identification such as a valid passport or a valid driver's license
- □ Health Insurance coverage letter along with a copy of the health insurance card
- □ Immigration documents (either a copy of your work permit, Permanent Residency Certificate, Residency and Employment rights Certificate or Caymanian Status documents)
- □ Proof of residential address (Utility bills, or if renting, a letter from your landlord)
- □ Proof of postal address, if applies
- □ Proof of Needs Assessment Unit assistance or any other social services assistance
- □ Proof of assistance sought from any other non-profit organizations, groups or associations

#### **Client's medical Information:**

- □ Written diagnosis from your doctor
- □ Medical Bills
- □ Quotes for treatment
- □ Airfare quotes
- □ Accommodations costs
- □ Medical itinerary
- □ Treatments received

#### Financial Information (documents required from both, the Patient and from the Supporter):

- □ Salary and income information. This should include documentation of your salary from employment contract plus any additional income from other sources such as earnings from renting out a property, running a personal business, child support if applies, etc.
- □ Bank Statements a mini statement printed off the ATM from your bank institution is acceptable
- □ Information relating to any assets owned such as property, land or businesses.
- □ A copy of your lease or any other information on the property you rent
- □ Support received from child maintenance
- □ Pension deductibles or pension benefit
- School fees
- □ Assistance from family or friends received
- □ Information on any loan
- □ Information on Credit Card expenditure
- □ Spent on fuel
- □ Car payments

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- □ Car Insurance payments
- □ Mortgage information
- □ Water Bills past 3 months
- □ Electricity bills- past 3 months
- □ Television bills
- □ Telephone bills landline and/or cell phones
- □ Internet bills
- Domestic Helper salary, if applicable
- □ Caregiver salary, if applicable
- □ Groceries
- □ Other meals Restaurants, Fast Food, diners
- □ Life Insurance payments
- □ Child Maintenance, if applicable
- □ Spent on purchase of cigarettes
- □ Spent on alcoholic Beverages

#### Personal Information about Supporter

- □ Personal identification such as passport or driver's license.
- □ Health Insurance coverage letter or health insurance card
- □ Immigration documents (your work permit, Permanent Residency Certificate, Residency and Employment Rights Certificate or Caymanian Status document).
- □ Proof of residential Address.
- □ Proof of postal address.
- □ Proof of Needs Assessment assistance or any other social servicer assistance.
- □ Proof of assistance sought from any other non- profit organization.

#### For official use only

- □ Completed application form (16 pages)
- Diagnosis
- □ Completed information release form
- □ Bills quotation
- □ Letter from Health Insurance provider
- □ Other relevant information
- □ Supporting documents



#### **Patient Declaration**

As evidenced by my signature below, I declare that to the best of my knowledge all information provided, in this application and any supporting documentation, to the Cayman Islands Cancer Society is true and complete. If assistance is granted, I agree to advise the Society of any change to the information I have provided.

I, further, understand that any assistance will stop immediately upon death of the cancer patient and may stop at any time at the absolute discretion of the Society.

| Client or Applicant's Signature   | Client or Applicant's Name | Date |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------|--|
| Witness' Signature                | Witness' Name              | Date |  |
| Application and documents receive | ed by:                     |      |  |
| CICS Representative Signature     | CICS Representative Name   | Date |  |



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