

Patient Support Services in Alaska and Beyond



The American Cancer Society (ACS) is the leading cancer-fighting organization with a vision to end cancer as we know it, for everyone. We offer statewide support in Alaska every step of your cancer journey. Below are just some of the resources we provide.

Visit cancer.org or call us at 1-800-227-2345 for more information.

24/7 Cancer Helpline

The American Cancer Society helpline provides 24/7 support by connecting you with trained cancer information specialists who can provide guidance and help find answers through phone and online live chat.



**Call us at
1-800-227-2345**

Alaska Field Office

For more than 60 years, your local American Cancer Society office has been dedicated to assisting those affected by cancer by providing informational material on site-specific cancers and prevention.

Where to find us: 3851 Piper Street, Suite U240, Anchorage, AK 99508 | Phone: 907-277-8610

cancer.org

Our website is a highly trusted source of accurate, evidence-based cancer information for people facing cancer, their families, and their caregivers. Learn coping methods for your cancer treatment side effects and nutrition during treatment. Get help handling financial matters, health insurance questions, caregiving, recovery and living well after cancer. Find our Cancer Survivor Network, Caregiver Resource Guide and Caregiver Support Video Series. At **cancer.org** you can also live chat with an information specialist.



Helping people with cancer and their caregivers navigate the cancer journey with confidence.

If you or someone you love has been diagnosed with cancer, deciding what's next can be overwhelming. Now you can get one-on-one support and the quality curated information you need in a new digital app for easy access, available anytime and anywhere. Connect with trained ACS staff who can connect you to resources over the phone, or ACS volunteers for non-clinical virtual support who match your shared cancer lived experiences including diagnosis, location, military status, race, ethnicity, and others. Download the ACS CARES app today to get started! Available in English and Spanish.

Download the App



Transportation & Lodging

Road To Recovery – Free Rides to Treatment For Cancer Patients

Our free program that matches trained volunteer drivers to cancer patients for ride assistance to doctor appointments and medical treatments. Call us at **1-800-227-2345** to schedule a ride or to inquire about how to become a volunteer driver!

Airfare

Limited free assistance is available for intrastate and continental US travel for cancer treatment for patients not covered by insurances. Call us at **1-800-227-2345** to schedule a flight. **With most partners, transportation assistance requires 4 business days advance notice. Limit of 6 one-way intrastate and 2 one-way interstate flights per patient per year**

Lodging In and Outside of Alaska

Our Alaska office works with local and national hotel partners to offer free and discounted lodging options during treatment. Contact our local office at **907-277-8610** for more information on discounts.

For care outside of Alaska, our 30+ American Cancer Society Hope Lodge® communities across the country provide a free place to stay during treatment so people with cancer can focus on getting better. These communities provide comfortable guest suites with private baths, as well as inviting spaces with all the comforts of home, including a communal kitchen, dining area, laundry rooms, and places to gather or find a quiet respite – all at no cost to guests. For more information, please call **1-800-227-2345**.

Programs

Breast Cancer Support

The American Cancer Society Reach To Recovery® program connects people facing breast cancer with trained volunteers who are breast cancer survivors. Our volunteers provide one-on-one support to help those facing breast cancer cope with diagnosis, treatment, side effects, finding ways to talk with friends and family, and more. The program is available in English and Spanish. To get matched with a Reach to Recovery volunteer, call **1-800-227-2345**.

Hair-loss and Mastectomy Products

The American Cancer Society “tlc” Tender Loving Care® program helps women with appearance-related side effects by offering them a variety of affordable wigs, hats, and scarves as well as a full range of mastectomy products that can be purchased from the privacy of home. Please visit **tlcdirect.com** for more information.

Advocacy

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY CANCER ACTION NETWORK

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, Inc. (ACS CAN) is the advocacy affiliate for the American Cancer Society. We work in every state and over 100 communities across the country with the goal of moving us closer to the day when no one has to hear those three scary words, "You have cancer." In Alaska, we continue to advocate on legislation that would help to improve cancer screening rates and access to treatment throughout our state. To give your support go to **fightcancer.org/ak**.