

National Center for Health Research Cancer Prevention and Treatment Fund

26 Years of Making a Meaningful and Measurable Difference!

*Designated as one of America's Best Charities by Independent Charities of America,
98 cents of every dollar will pay for programs, much higher than most charities!*

What We Do



► For 26 years, we've been fighting laws that would increase the cost and decrease the safety and effectiveness of medical products used by millions of Americans.



► We protect 82 million families by fighting big oil and chemical companies, resulting in the removal of cancer-causing BPA, phthalates, and other chemicals from children's toys, baby bottles, mattresses, artificial turf, and playgrounds.



► We provide free help to tens of thousands of individual patients and their families through our hotline and personalized assistance.



► We help inform millions of Americans when we are quoted in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Politico*, *Bloomberg News*, *Boston Globe*, *AP*, *CBS*, *NPR*, *ESPN*, etc. on medical breakthroughs and policies, misinformation, and more!

How We Help

Most important: We're here when you need us! We're here in person, in an office with experts on staff who can help you on the phone, on our website, and through email. Very few charities offer that personal help. Contact us at info@center4research.org or info@stopcancerfund.org.

These are the kinds of requests we get through our helpline:

"I'm confused about conflicting information about whether my husband should be treated for prostate cancer. His PSA is high, but since he is over 60, the doctor says he doesn't need a biopsy and could stop getting tested every year. Isn't cancer screening always a good idea? Please help us understand why experts seem to disagree."

"My mother's memory isn't as sharp as it used to be, but my memory isn't either! Is that a typical sign of aging, or does it mean she is developing Alzheimer's disease -- or that I am? Is there anything we can do to improve our memory or to prevent Alzheimer's? Crossword puzzles? Exercise? My mother is on several medications and neither of us are sleeping well -- can those harm memory and concentration? What can we do to prevent these problems?"

"Thanks for all you have done to make implants safer! I was on the FDA website last night and didn't see the prominent Black Box warning about implants that was there before. Please try to get that fixed."

We help each person individually, providing the information they need to make informed healthcare decisions or to inform policy makers of the issues that concern them.

We were especially proud when well known self-help author Harriet Lerner told us: "You shared the latest research and findings, which were pivotal in my decision making. Thanks to you, I'm doing great! I'm so grateful."

We can't be bought.

We accept NO funding from drug companies or other sources that could influence our work or compromise our integrity.

Gifts can be made easily online, in the mail, or give us a call and we can assist you over the phone.

Help us make a measurable difference!

Your donation makes a difference by ensuring that we're here for you and your loved ones. Donations pay for essential services, not huge CEO salaries.



Supports our online health helpline for 5 patients

\$125



Helps 100+ patients by providing free medical information

\$275+



Helps us fight for laws to reduce the cost of urgently needed treatments and to improve safety and effectiveness

\$1,000



Supports internships or fellowships in your name or the name of a loved one

\$5,000

We have a small staff and our budget is a small fraction of many charities'. How do we accomplish so much?

- ✓ **Our exceptional staff provide free help to millions of patients and consumers.** Our assistance is always free, on our websites (www.center4research.org and www.stopcancerfund.org), and in our personal responses to people contacting our online health hotlines (info@center4research.org and info@stopcancer.org)
- ✓ **We train thousands of health professionals, researchers, journalists, and patient advocates** through free courses and training. We don't accept money from companies making medical products—that's why we are such an important source of objective information for everyone.
- ✓ **We educate** current and future leaders on complicated medical issues. We work with nationally respected researchers to explain their research findings to those who need them most – patients, family members, policy makers, and health professionals. And our internships and fellowships train tomorrow's leaders.
- ✓ **We leverage our power** to strengthen the voices of patients and consumers. We testify and provide expert advice to the FDA, EPA, CDC, VA, the U.S. Congress, and state and local governments. We are a leader in the Patient, Consumer, and Public Health Coalition, which represents more than 7 million people who want to urge policy makers to ensure the safety and effectiveness of medical treatments for all Americans.
- ✓ **We're in the news**, interviewed on all major media, reaching opinion leaders and Americans from all walks of life. Reporters contact us every week, asking us to explain the latest research on medical issues that affect all our lives. This enables us to reach most Americans, so they can keep their loved ones healthy.

A few of our goals :

- ➔ **Prevent pharmaceutical companies from charging outrageous prices to U.S. patients!** Why should Americans pay more than any other country for exactly the same medications for cancer, heart disease, or any other treatments?
- ➔ **Protect our nation's 74 million children** by removing lead, PFAS, carcinogens and other dangerous chemicals from children's playgrounds and athletic fields. Require playgrounds to be proven safe based on objective scientific studies!
- ➔ **Ensure that medications taken by people over 55 are tested on people over 55.** Most medications are tested on younger patients, who metabolize drugs differently. Testing patients over 55 will improve treatments for more than 70 million Americans.
- ➔ **Improve treatments for cancer, Alzheimer's, and other diseases.** Too many Americans are spending their life savings on cancer treatments that are not more effective for them than less expensive FDA-approved treatments. The high cost of new Alzheimer's treatments would be worth it if they were safe and effective, but the evidence is very questionable. Too often, FDA approves treatments that do not help patients live longer or have a better quality of life -- the same treatments that many other countries reject. We are fighting so that FDA will make better decisions and so you and your physicians know which medications are proven to work, and which aren't.

Help us achieve our goals this year

by donating online at www.center4research.org/get-involved/contribute/ or www.stopcancerfund.org/contribute/, in the mail, or through CFC #11967.

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