

# Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma



UCSF Helen Diller Family  
Comprehensive  
Cancer Center

The **UCSF Patient and Family Cancer Support Center** is the hub of support, information and resources for people with cancer at the **Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center**. Learn more about UCSF's supportive care programs at <https://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-support-center>

The **Cancer Support Center at Mission Bay** is located at 1825 4th St., 1st Floor, Room M-1210. The **Cancer Support Center at Mt. Zion** is located at 1600 Divisadero St., 1st Floor, Room B-101.

The complete list of Patient Education Resource Pages is available to view at <http://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-education-resources>

## Overview

In non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, tumors develop from white blood cells called lymphocytes, often at different locations in your body. Normally, lymphocytes go through a predictable life cycle. Old lymphocytes die and your body creates new ones to replace them. But in non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, your body produces abnormal lymphocytes that continue to divide and grow without control. This excess of lymphocytes crowds into your lymph nodes, causing them to swell. Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma accounts for about 4 percent of all new cancers in the United States.

Website: <https://www.ucsfhealth.org/conditions/non-hodgkins-lymphoma>

## UCSF Resources

### UCSF Hematology and Oncology

The faculty of the Divisions of Hematology & Medical Oncology - managed separately at the UCSF Medical Center at Parnassus, the UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center at Mount Zion, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital Medical Center, and the San Francisco VA Health Care System - are leaders in the fields of cancer care and blood disorders. For over thirty years, our faculty has passionately pursued its mission to enhance individual lives around the world by improving the treatment of cancer and blood disorders. For patients suffering from these conditions, we discover and implement medical advances that have improved survival rates and quality of life. Website: <https://hemonc.ucsf.edu/> | Phone Number: (415) 353-2421

## Publications

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Education Resources: LLS provides excellent patient education materials, videos, webcasts, and drug information, as well as books on caregiving. Materials can be ordered for free or viewed online. (Available in various foreign languages) Website: <http://www.lls.org/education-resources>



## Organizations

### American Cancer Society (ACS) – Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma

At the American Cancer Society, we’re on a mission to free the world from cancer. Until we do, we’ll be funding and conducting research, sharing expert information, supporting patients, and spreading the word about prevention. All so you can live longer — and better.

Website: <https://www.cancer.org/cancer/non-hodgkin-lymphoma.html> | Phone Number: 800.227.2345

### Cancer Support Community – Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma

As the largest professionally led nonprofit network of cancer support worldwide, the Cancer Support Community is dedicated to ensuring that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community.

Website: <https://www.cancersupportcommunity.org/non-hodgkin-lymphoma> | Phone Number: 888-793-9355

### Leukemia Research Foundation – Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma

In 1946, the Leukemia Research Foundation was established to memorialize 12-year-old Sherwin Pessin. Leukemia was a well-known but not well-understood disease. For Sherwin and thousands of other children and adults, there was no hope and no possibility for a cure. Website:

<https://allbloodcancers.org/lymphoma/non-hodgkin-lymphoma/> | Phone Number: 800.955.4572

### Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Dedicated to curing leukemia, lymphoma, myeloma, and other blood cancers, we are now The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS), the world's largest voluntary (nonprofit) health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research and providing education and patient services. Website: <https://www.lls.org/> | Phone Number: 800.955.4572

### Lymphoma Research Foundation - Non-Hodgkin’s Lymphoma

The Lymphoma Research Foundation is the nation’s largest non-profit organization devoted exclusively to funding lymphoma research and supporting the lymphoma community through evidence-based education, support services, and resources. Website: <https://lymphoma.org/aboutlymphoma/nhl/> | Phone Number: 800-500-9976

### Medline Plus: Trusted Health Information for You - Non-Hodgkin’s

Lymphoma: MedlinePlus is a service of the National Library of Medicine (NLM), the world's largest medical library, which is part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Website: <https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/000581.htm>



## National Cancer Institute - Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) is the federal government's principal agency for cancer research and training. NCI is deeply committed to the core values of equity, diversity, and inclusion that allow all staff to reach their potential and fully contribute to the Institute's cancer mission. Website: <https://www.cancer.gov/types/lymphoma/patient/adult-nhl-treatment-pdq>

## National LGBT Cancer Network

The National LGBT Cancer Network works to improve the lives of LGBT cancer survivors and those at risk by: EDUCATING the LGBT community about our increased cancer risks and the importance of screening and early detection; TRAINING health care providers to offer more culturally-competent, safe and welcoming care; and ADVOCATING for LGBT survivors in mainstream cancer organizations, the media and research.

Website: <https://cancer-network.org/about/> | Phone Number: 212-675-2633

*This information is intended to offer credible and reliable education resources for patients who want to learn more about their diagnosis. It is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all resources available.*

