

Who We Are

The National Children's Cancer Society (NCCS) tirelessly and compassionately supports families making their way through the daunting world of childhood cancer. With over **thirty-five years** of experience serving over **49,000 children**, NCCS has become a master navigator of this world, helping families get where they need to be – physically, financially, and emotionally – to give them hope and to give their children the **best possible shot at survival.**

Distributing over **\$71 million** to families over its lifetime with the help of compassionate donors, NCCS is able to take a "**no matter what**" approach, creating a clear path through the labyrinth of childhood cancer and survivorship to help families stay strong, stay positive and stay together. **Because no family should go through childhood cancer alone.**™

How we started

In 1987, a relatively new and expensive procedure known as bone marrow transplantation (BMT) was becoming recognized as a viable treatment for certain cancers. Despite this recognition, most insurance companies considered BMTs experimental and would not fund them.

It was for this reason the NCCS was started – because every child with cancer deserves every chance to live.

What We Do

In the United States

Our **Family Support Program**, **Transportation Assistance Fund**, and **Emergency Assistance Fund** provide emotional and financial support to families throughout the United States during their child's cancer treatment. By reducing some of the emotional and financial hardships associated with cancer, families can stay focused on the one most important thing – getting their child well again.

The **Beyond the Cure (BTC)** survivorship program prepares survivors and their families for life after cancer. Our **Late Effects After Treatment Tool (LEATT)** provides survivors with a private, personalized assessment of potential late effects based on their diagnosis and treatment. BTC also awards 58 college scholarships per year to childhood cancer survivors, through its Beyond the Cure Ambassador Scholarship Program. In addition, BTC distributes free educational materials and sponsors survivorship conferences at treatment centers across the country.

Around the World

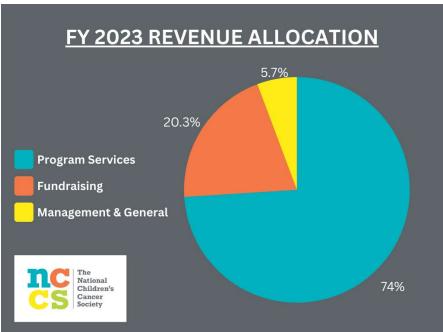
The **Michele Hertlein Global Outreach Program** coordinates the worldwide distribution of donated pharmaceuticals and medical supplies to pediatric oncology treatment centers in less-developed countries throughout the world. The program is dedicated to addressing the critical effects of inadequate and nonexistent medical care for thousands of children with cancer worldwide.

FY2023 Summary

During the past fiscal year (10/01/22-09/30/23), the NCCS:

- Distributed \$966,493 in financial assistance to 1,864 families battling childhood cancer
- 451 hospital social workers and/or medical professionals from 206 treatment centers referred families to NCCS
- Provided 3,892 referrals to other resources to address the needs of the families we serve
- Awarded 58 college scholarships totaling **\$290,000** to childhood cancer survivors
- Supplied 2,684 free educational publications
- Distributed over \$5 million in donated pharmaceuticals & medical supplies to nine pediatric oncology treatment centers outside of the United States
- Sponsored **four** survivorship conferences which provided education and support to
 983 survivors and their families

The NCCS is a 501C(3) non-profit organization that is proud to meet all of the Better Business Bureau's "Standards of Charity Accountability," which includes a comprehensive, in-depth evaluation of charity governance, fundraising practices, solicitations and informational materials. The organization also earned the Platinum GuideStar Nonprofit Profile Seal of Transparency, the highest level of recognition offered by GuideStar, the world's largest source of nonprofit information.







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