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fighting blood cancers

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### **Our Mission:**

Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and their families.

# access and cures don't come easy. help us save the lives of blood cancer patients.



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LLS is a nonprofit organization that relies on the generosity of individual, foundation and corporate contributions to advance its mission.





The LLS Office of Public Policy is dedicated to removing barriers to quality, affordable, coordinated care for blood cancer patients. We work to shape and drive policies – from increasing insurance coverage to speeding research and clinical trials. Together we can improve the lives of individuals with blood cancers.

# latest high impact results

- Last year, LLS brought more than 150 people to Capitol Hill to advocate for increased patient access to quality care and to find a solution to rampant drug shortages
- LLS successfully influenced the passage of laws in 10 states to provide more equitable insurance coverage of orally-administered cancer treatments
- LLS successfully advocated for legislation that accelerates drug approval at FDA
- LLS has been working to extend insurance coverage to include oral anti-cancer drugs such as Gleevec®

## state challenges

- Fighting for access to care through focused efforts on state and federal Essential Health Benefits packages as part of the Affordable Care Act
- Ensuring equitable access to treatments by pushing for parity in patient cost-sharing between patient self-administered drugs and drugs administered in a physician's office or hospitals

# federal challenges

- Working with FDA to formulate clinical trial guidelines that will accelerate the development and approval of new therapies
- Advocating to ensure Medicare/Medicaid "dual eligible" pilot programs do not harm patient access to coordinated, quality cancer care
- Focusing on potential to repurpose existing drugs to treat cancer patients by partnering with the University of Kansas Cancer Center and NCATS to create the "Learning Collaborative"
- Solidifying Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) path to innovative off-label treatment and patient access to new therapies

## your voice can make a difference

When you sign up to be a Field Advocate, you'll join thousands of others who are working to tell the government why expanding access and accelerating cures is so important. With your knowledge, passion, and energy, we can engage our elected officials in the movement to change blood cancer forever.

#### Field Advocates also:

- Share personal stories about their relationship to cancer with legislators and the media
- Represent blood cancer patients among local health care coalitions
- Help shape LLS policy goals and agendas

# take action today

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Since 1960
the survival rate
for many blood
cancer patients
has doubled,
tripled or even
quadrupled.

Just fill out the form below to be added to our list of Field Advocates, and we'll send you information about how you can help save the lives of blood cancer patients, today.

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Attend a meeting with elected officials			
☐ Work on a state-based advocacy campaign			
<ul><li>Raise awareness through</li></ul>	the media		

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