

Living with MS

Patient Resources

We understand that multiple sclerosis is not just a physical or emotional burden but can also cause financial burden. We have put together a list of resources that are available. They all have different eligibility factors so please be aware every resource is not available for every patient. Monies are funded at various times so check for funding every few weeks.

HealthWell Foundation – www.healthwellfoundation.org or 1-800-675-8416

- Assists with monthly premiums or copays
- Must have Medicare and meet income requirements

PAN Foundation – panfoundation.org or 1-866-316-7263

- Assists with medication copays
- Must have Medicare and meet income requirements

Good Days – www.mygooddays.org or 1-877-968-7233

- Assists with monthly premiums, copays, travel as well as connecting you with other available resources.
- Must have Medicare or Military Insurance and meet income requirements

Ability Found – www.abilityfound.org or 1-877-231-4567

- Assists with mobility and adaptive equipment
- Must meet income requirements

The Assistance Fund – tafcares.org or 1-855-263-1772

- Assists with monthly premiums, copays, travel and other incidental medical expenses
- Must meet income requirements

Chanda Plan Foundation – iamtheplan.org or 1-800-766-4255

- Assists with providing acupuncture, massage, chiropractic, adaptive exercise and adaptive yoga
- Must be on disability and confined to a wheelchair

Patient Advocate Foundation – www.copays.org or 1-866-512-3861

- Assists with medication copays
- Must have Medicare, Medicaid or Military insurance and meet income requirements

Multiple Sclerosis Association of America – mymsaa.org or 1-800-532-7667

- Assists with cooling products, assistive equipment and MRIs
- Must meet income requirements

Multiple Sclerosis Foundation – www.msfocus.org or 1-888-673-6287

- Assists with cooling products, computers, assistive technology, adaptive exercise, travel expenses, healthcare costs, homecare and other needs not met
- Must meet income requirements





The drug manufacturers also have resources available, especially for patients with commercial insurance who do not qualify for some of these other resources. If you ever have any questions about resources available please contact our office.

MS Society MS Navigator – ContactUsNMSS@nmss.org or 1-800-344-4867

The National MS Society MS Navigator Program offers several resources for patients, family and caregivers through every step of MS whether it's possible MS, newly diagnosed or have had MS for many years.

- Assess newly diagnosed patient's needs and emotional status, advise on employment, health insurance and planning for the future. Connect patient to resources.
- Offer financial assistance as well as connect patients to other resources when financial challenges arise that may prevent them from accessing DME, food, pay rent, mortgage or utilities, acquire transportation, **gas cards** or home health care, home modifications, etc.
- Provide individual evaluations of the type of insurance and different plans available to the patient as well as resources available if the patient doesn't have insurance or has medical debt.
- They also have resources available for family members, caregivers and friends such as connecting them with support groups and assessing their self-care or validating their feelings.

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Upcoming Events:

- Friday, December 7, 2018 – MS Clinic's 4th Annual Night of Lights
 - Buses leave SMC at 5pm or you can meet at Champions at 5:30
 - Food and Drinks at Champions Run Country Club in Omaha
 - Arrow Stage Line buses to look at Christmas Lights
 - Raffles and Giveaways
 - Tickets are \$30 each or \$50 if you buy two
 - Contact Sam Jack at 402-443-1457 or sjack@smcne.com if you have questions or wish to purchase tickets

General Information/Tips

- Due to our increasing patient load, we need to start charging patients who cancel their appointment less than 24 hours in advance.
- Please arrive a half hour before your appointment to ensure there is adequate time for the check in process and our providers do not get behind for other patients.
- To schedule appointments please call registration at 402-443-4191. Our nurse is unable to schedule appointments and will have to transfer you.
- **Please notify Patti at 402-443-4191 ext 533 if you have any change in your medical or prescription insurance. Also please make sure to give registration both cards at check-in.**
- If you have questions regarding the newsletter, please email Sam at sjack@smcne.com.



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