Resources for Teens

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This section includes resources for teens with cancer, including websites, camps and retreats, and educational scholarships.

Websites

Beyond the Cure [2] is a website from the National Children's Cancer Society created for survivors of childhood cancer.

Cancer*Care* [3] is a nonprofit organization that provides free professional counseling and educational programs to anyone affected by cancer.

CureSearch [4] is a website from the National Childhood Cancer Foundation and the Children's Oncology Group.

Group Loop [5] is a safe place for teens with cancer and their parents to find support, education, and hope while dealing with a cancer diagnosis. It is sponsored by Cancer Support Community [6].

I'm Too Young for This! Cancer Foundation [7] provides information and support for young adults with cancer.

LIVE**STRONG** [8] has resources on cancer survivorship.

2bMe [9] for teens is the online component of Look Good...Feel Better for Teens.

TeensHealth [10] provides information for all teens, including information on cancer and many other topics.

Teens Living With Cancer [11] is a site for teens with cancer sponsored by Melissa's Living Legacy [12] .

Voicing My Choices [13] is a planning guide for adolescents and young adults to help express their thoughts about how they want to be comforted, supported, treated, and remembered.

Young Survival Coalition [14] is an international, nonprofit network of breast cancer survivors and supporters dedicated to the concerns and issues that are unique to young women with breast cancer.

Camps and Retreats

Whether it's a summer camp, a week-long retreat, or a weekend gathering, children, adults, and families can come together to experience new adventures, find support, and learn something new about themselves. Read more about camps and retreats for families touched by cancer [15].

Information for School Professionals

Children in classrooms across the country are likely dealing with cancer right now, whether with a grandparent, parent, or teacher. LIVE**STRONG** at School [16] free online lessons teach about cancer in a way that is age-appropriate, hopeful, inspiring and empowering. Lesson plans include educational standards, clear learning objectives, engaging videos, extension activities, a section to check for understanding on what has been learned, and ways that students can get involved.

Educational Scholarships

This list contains links to educational scholarships for teenage cancer survivors. For the most current information, please contact the organization sponsoring the scholarship for additional details.

Scholarship opportunities

American Cancer Society: [17] Some regional divisions of the ACS offer scholarships for childhood cancer survivors. Contact the ACS to learn

about the programs available in your state.

Andre Sobel River of Life Foundation [18]

CollegeScholarships.org [19]

The Patient Advocate Foundation's Scholarships [20]

Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation Scholarship Program [21]: For brain tumor survivors

The Stephen T. Marchello Scholarship Foundation [22]: For residents of Colorado and Montana

Komen College Scholarship Program [23]

Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults National College Scholarship Program [24]

Cancer Survivor's Fund [25]

If your organization offers scholarships for teens with cancer, please call 888-651-3038 or send an e-mail message tocontactus@cancer.net [26].

Links:
[1] http://www.cancer.net/about-us
[2] http://www.beyondthecure.org/
[3] http://www.cancercare.org/
[4] http://www.curesearch.org/
[5] http://www.grouploop.org/
[6] http://www.cancersupportcommunity.org/
[7] http://www.imtooyoungforthis.org/
[8] http://www.livestrong.org/
[9] http://lookgoodfeelbetter.org/programs/programs-for-teens
[10] http://kidshealth.org/teen/
[11] http://www.teenslivingwithcancer.org/
[12] http://www.melissaslivinglegacy.org/
[13] http://www.agingwithdignity.org
[14] http://www.youngsurvival.org/
[15] http://www.cancer.net/patient/Coping/Age-Specific+Information/Cancer+in+Children/Camps+and+Retreats/Camps+and+Retreats+for+Families+and+Children+Touched+by+Cancer
[16] http://www.livestrong.org/What-We-Do/Our-Actions/Programs-Partnerships/LIVESTRONG-at-School
[17] http://www.cancer.org
[18] http://andreriveroflife.org/participate/award/
[19] http://www.collegescholarships.org/blog/2012/10/09/information-for-students-with-disabilities/
[20] http://www.patientadvocate.org/events.php?p=69
[21] http://www.pbtfus.org/survivors/education/scholarships/
[22] http://www.stmfoundation.org/
[23] http://ww5.komen.org/ResearchGrants/CollegeScholarshipAward.html
[24] http://www.ulmanfund.org/UniversityOutreach/CollegeScholarshipProgram/tabid/686/Default.aspx
[25] http://www.cancersurvivorsfund.org/
[26] mailto:contactus@cancer.net