

The purpose of this guide is to help you find information and support. This guide provides links and references to reliable and current information sources for patients, families, and caregivers.

Many of these materials are available to purchase through online resources, or to borrow at your public library.

Cancer News

The websites below offer databases focusing on cancer news. These include articles in easy-to-read language about new developments in cancer as well as information from peer-reviewed scientific medical literature.

- **American Cancer Society**
<http://cancer.org>
 - Click “*Learn about Cancer*”
 - Click “*News and Features*” from under “*Learn About Cancer Topics*”
- **CancerConnect.com**
<http://news.cancerconnect.com>
 - Click “*Daily Cancer News*” at the top of the page
- **Cancer.Net**
<http://cancer.net>
 - Click “*Menu*” and then “*Blog*”
 - You can also sign up for a free monthly e-newsletter
- **CancerQuest**
<http://cancerquest.org>
 - Click “*Newsroom*” at the top of the page
- **MedlinePlus**
<http://nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus>
 - Type “*Cancer*” into the search box
 - Click “*News*” under “*Refine by Type*”
- **National Cancer Institute**
<http://cancer.gov>
 - Click “*Menu*” at the top of the page
 - Select “*News & Events*”

- **Oncolink**
<http://oncolink.org>
 - Scroll down until you reach the heading *“In the News”*

Illustrations

The sites below offer color illustrations that can help in understanding cancer diseases and treatment.

- **Medlineplus.gov – A.D.A.M. Medical Encyclopedia** includes color medical photographs and illustrations. To access, go to:
<http://medlineplus.gov>
 - Enter a term into the search box
 - In your search results, click *“Medical Encyclopedia”* on the left side of the page to find the relevant images.
- **NCI Visuals Online** – This database from the National Cancer Institute contains anatomical illustrations, photos of diagnostic procedures and other cancer-related images. Accessible at:
<http://visualsonline.cancer.gov>

Webcasts and Transcripts

Webcasts are virtual conferences that offer patients the opportunity to interact with cancer specialists via the internet in real-time, utilizing RealAudio or RealVideo software. During the webcasts, oncologists provide detailed, layman’s language explanations of the diseases and new developments in research. After the live broadcasts, the transcripts and video files of the event are posted on the site.

The following sites offer transcripts and/or video files of cancer webcasts:

- **CancerCare – Connect Education Workshops**
http://cancercares.org/connect_workshops#past_workshops
Many podcasts of both upcoming and past workshops are available. Podcast titles are also searchable by diagnosis or by topic.
- **Cancereducation.com**
<http://cancereducation.com>
Provides multimedia programs about cancer and cancer-related topics.

- **Cancer.Net**
<http://cancer.net/blog/podcasts>
Provides patient information on cancer research, treatment, and coping in an audio podcast format.
- **Cancer Medicine – Holland-Frei**, 6th edition. The full version of this medical textbook is provided free online by the National Library of Medicine.
<http://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed>
 - Select “Books” from the drop-down menu by the search box.
 - Type “Cancer Medicine” into the search box
 - This is a medical textbook written in technical language

Cancer Answering Services

The websites below provide an answering service in which cancer specialists answer questions from cancer patients and caregivers.

- **Ask CancerCare**
<http://cancercare.org/questions>
One can submit a question online and read answers to other questions in an archived searchable database.
- **National Cancer Institute Cancer Information Service**
<http://cancer.gov/global/contact>
1-800-4-CANCER (or 1-800-422-6237)
- **University of Michigan Cancer Answerline**
<http://mcancer.org/about/cancer-answerline>
1-800-865-1125

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