

The purpose of this guide is to help you find information and support on Merkel cell carcinoma. 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.

## Books

- McClay, Edward; McClay, Mary-Eileen T.; Smith, Jodie. **100 Questions & Answers about Melanoma and Other Skin Cancers**. Boston, MA: Jones and Bartlett, 2013.

## Web Resources

- **American Cancer Society – Skin Cancer: Merkel Cell Carcinoma**  
<http://cancer.org>
  - Click “Cancer A-Z”
  - Scroll to “View All Cancer Types” and click on “M”
  - Select “Merkel Cell Skin Cancer” from the alphabetical list.

This overview includes a description of Merkel Cell Carcinoma and its treatment.

- **Cancer Support Community – section on Merkel Cell**  
<http://cancersupportcommunity.org>
  - Under “Learn About Cancer” select “Cancer Types”
  - Scroll list for “Merkel Cell”

Includes information on diagnosis, stages, treatment, and side effects.

- **National Cancer Institute Merkel Cell Carcinoma Treatment (PDQ®)–Patient Version.**

<http://cancer.gov/cancertopics/pdq/treatment/merkelcell/Patient>

Provides information on the treatment of Merkel cell carcinoma.

- **National Organization for Rare Disorders (NORD) Merkel Cell Carcinoma**  
<https://rarediseases.org/rare-diseases/merkel-cell-carcinoma/>

This site includes information on mastocytosis as well as causes, treatment therapies, and related disorders.

- **Skin Cancer Foundation – section on Merkel Cell Carcinoma**  
<http://skincancer.org/skin-cancer-information/merkel>

Provides information on risk factors as well as diagnosis and treatment information.

## University of Michigan Resources

- **University of Michigan Rogel Cancer Center Multidisciplinary Merkel Cell Carcinoma Clinic**

<https://www.rogelcancercenter.org/skin-cancer/merkel-cell>

One of the first and still one of the few multidisciplinary programs created solely to treat merkel cell carcinoma.

## Organizations

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- **Merkel Cell Carcinoma (MCC)**

<http://merkelcell.org>

As well as offering information for patients, MCC also hosts an online support and discussion group.

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