Education and Social Support for Patients With CLL



Navigating a diagnosis of CLL is challenging and patients need



- Connection (social support)
- Information (educational resources)

Support system for patients with CLL¹⁻³

CLL is a lifelong diagnosis, and patients benefit from strong social support

Medical care team

- · Orchestrate care
- Provide educational resources

Mental health

Treat emotional toll of disease



Social worker
Help identify support

Patient support groups

- Solidarity through similar experiences
- Patient education

Caregiver

- · Attend patient visits
- Partner with patient at home

CLL patients need individualized education, as their treatment varies² Among CLL patients⁴:

≈1/3 will not need treatment right away, but will need it at some point



- ≈1/3 need treatment right away
- ≈1/3 may never need therapy

CLL patient resources for education and social support



CLL Society

A patient-centric, physician-curated nonprofit organization focused on patient education, support, and research for CLL cllsociety.org

COA—Community Oncology Alliance

An organization for community oncology patients and clinical practices with practice and advocacy resources

communityoncology.org

LLS-Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

A nonprofit that funds blood cancer research and provides disease support and educational resources for both patients and health care professionals

lls.org

LRF-Lymphoma Research Foundation

A nonprofit that funds lymphoma research and supports patients and caregivers through evidence-based education, support services, and resource

lymphoma.org

CLL, chronic lymphocytic leukemia.

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