

Useful organisations

National organisations

United Kingdom Children's Cancer Study Group

www.ukccsg.org.uk

An organisation representing all 22 children's cancer treatment centres in the UK. Organises most paediatric clinical trials.

Cancer Bacup

<http://www.cancerbacup.org.uk>

Free national cancer information service and cancer counselling service. Its website contains a wide range of information.

Children's Cancer Web

<http://www.cancerindex.org/ccw>

Website indexing lots of children's cancer websites.

Captain Chemo

<http://www.royalmarsden.org/captchemo/>

Learn more about cancer and treatment, play games and watch the chemo adventure animations.

Support organisations

Cancer & Leukaemia in Childhood (CLIC)

<http://www.clicsargent.org>

Provides support for young people with cancer and their families, counselling and advice from social workers, respite care, family breaks, adventure holidays and financial help. Funds home care nurses and crisis breaks via social workers.

Leukaemia CARE Society

<http://www.leukaemiacare.org>

Provides support to families and to patients with leukaemia and allied blood disorders. Provides information, holidays, discretionary financial assistance, and support by volunteers (many with personal experience of the illness).

Christian Lewis Children's Cancer Care

<http://www.childrens-cancer-care.org.uk>

Aims to improve the quality of life for children and provide support to their families. Provides information about a national network of approved complementary therapies.

Cancerlink

<http://www.cancerlink.org.uk>

Provides emotional support and information in response to telephone and letter enquiries on all aspects of cancer, from people with cancer and from families, friends and professionals working with them.

REACT - Rapid Effective Assistance for Children with Potentially Terminal Illness

<http://www.react-kew.demon.co.uk>

REACT gives specific help to children who suffer from a potentially life-limiting illness and their families such as grants for equipment, heating, clothing, and toys.

Contact a Family

<http://www.cafamily.org.uk>

Contact a Family provides a network of support groups for parents whose children have special needs and disabilities.

Starlight Children's Foundation

<http://www.starlight.org.uk>

Starlight grants wishes and provides entertainment facilities in UK hospitals.

Teenage Cancer Trust

<http://www.teencancer.org>

Focuses on needs of teenagers and young adults. Publishes a magazine annually.

Child Death Helpline

<http://www.childdeathhelpline.org.uk>

A helpline for anyone affected by the death of a child.

Rainbow Trust

<http://www.rainbowtrust.org.uk>

Rainbow Trust supports families with a life-threatening illness, providing care workers and respite care as needed.

Cancer specific organisations

Leukaemia Research Fund

<http://www.lrf.org.uk>

UK research charity devoted to research into the causes, treatment and prevention of leukaemia and related diseases.

Lymphoma Association

<http://www.lymphoma.org.uk>

Provides emotional support and information on a range of issues to anyone with lymphatic cancer and to their families, carers and friends.

The Dancing Eye Syndrome Support Trust

<http://www.dancingeyes.org.uk>

Supplies information about dancing eye syndrome and neuroblastoma and offers support by putting families in touch with each other.