

Rhode Island Cancer Survivor Support Groups - 2019

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Any Cancer Type	CancerCare	Varies - Each Program Runs for 15 Weeks	Varies - Each Program Runs for 15 Weeks	24/7	Online	https://www.cancercaresupportgroups.org/	Registration is Required Register at: https://osgportal.cancercaresupportgroups.org/register	Cancer Care Phone: (800) 813-4673 Email: info@cancercaresupportgroups.org	Online support groups take place using a password-protected message board format (not live chat) and are led by professional oncology social workers who offer support and guidance. Groups are held for 15 weeks at a time, and group members must register to join. After completing the registration process (which can take up to 2-3 business days), members can participate by posting in the groups 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
Any Cancer Type Healing With Words	CancerCare	24/7	Begins October 1, 2019 (New members are welcome to join after starting date)	24/7	Online	https://www.cancercaresupportgroups.org/	Registration is Required Register at: https://osgportal.cancercaresupportgroups.org/register	Caroline Edlund, LCSW-R Phone: (800) 813-4673, ext. 6128 Email: cedlund@cancercaresupportgroups.org	"Healing With Words is an online therapeutic writing group, offered to people who are currently receiving treatment for cancer or who have completed treatment within the last two years. The group, led by an oncology social worker, will feature a variety of topics related to coping with a diagnosis of cancer. Participants will have the opportunity to read several writing pieces, complete creative writing exercises, and create their own unique works. The group will be a space to respond to writing prompts, share work, and participate in discussion surrounding the writing process itself."- cancercaresupportgroups.org

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<p style="text-align: center;">Any Cancer Type (Women)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Look Good Feel Better Program</p>	Look Good Feel Better	Varies	Varies	Varies	Online	http://lookgoodfeelbetter.org/	<p>Registration is Required</p> <p>Register at: http://lookgoodfeelbetter.org/virtual-workshops/</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Look Good Feel Better</p> <p>http://lookgoodfeelbetter.org/contact-us/</p>	<p>Women who are currently undergoing cancer treatment, about to undergo cancer treatment, or have recently completed cancer treatment (chemotherapy, radiation therapy, surgery, hormone therapy, or other forms of treatment) are eligible. A patient may participate in both workshops (Skincare and Makeup or Wigs and Head Coverings).</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Any Cancer Type</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Expressive Therapies Support Group</p>	Women & Infants Hospital	Monthly	1st Wednesday of the month	10:00AM - 12:00PM	Women & Infants Program in Women's Oncology	<p>Third Floor</p> <p>668 Eddy St.</p> <p>Providence, RI</p>	Drop-in	<p style="text-align: center;">Sandra Salzillo, MA, CAGS, LMHC</p> <p>Phone: (401) 274-1122, ext. 47104</p> <p>Email: ssalzillo@wihri.org</p>	<p>Expressive Therapies Support Group</p> <p>For patients diagnosed with cancer, this group utilizes guided meditation and artwork, no artistic experience necessary.</p> <p>Check website for updates and cancellations - https://www.womenandinfants.org/services/cancer/support-groups.cfm</p>

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Any Cancer Type	Women & Infants Hospital	Monthly	2nd Tuesday of the month	3:00PM-4:30PM	Care New England Medical Office Building	49 South County Commons Way South Kingstown, RI	Please Call for More Information	<p>Diane Thompson, MSW, LICSW Phone: (401) 274-1122, ext. 47202</p> <p>Email: dthompson@wihri.org</p>	<p>Cancer Support Group</p> <p>For all cancer diagnoses</p>
Any Cancer Type Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction	Women & Infants Hospital	Monthly	1st Thursday of the month	4:00PM-5:30PM	Women & Infants Hospital	11 Wells St. Westerly, RI	Please Call for More Information	<p>Lisa Fiore, MSW, LICSW Phone: (401) 596-8165</p> <p>Email: lfiore@wihri.org</p>	<p>Cancer Support Group</p> <p>For women of all cancer diagnoses</p>

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<p>Any Cancer Type</p> <p>Young Women's Support Group</p>	Women & Infants Hospital	Monthly	2nd Tuesday of the month	5:00PM-6:30PM	Women & Infants' Program in Women's Oncology	Third Floor 668 Eddy St Providence, RI	Please Call for More Information and to Enroll	<p>Dana D'Alessandro Haseotes, MSW, LICSW, MPH Phone: (401) 274-1122, ext. 47111</p> <p>Email: dhaseotes@wihri.org</p>	<p>Young Women's Support Group for patients with all types of cancer under the age of 40.</p> <p>Check website for updates and cancelations - http://www.womenandinfants.org/womenscancer/oncology/Program-in-Womens-Oncology-Support-Groups.cfm</p>
<p>Any Cancer Type</p> <p>Transitions to Survivorship Educational/Support Group</p>	Women & Infants Hospital	Call or email for dates/times/location	Call or email for dates/times/location	Call for dates/times/location	Women & Infants Hospital	Call or email for dates/times/location	Please Call for More Information	<p>Dana D'Alessandro Haseotes, MSW, LICSW, MPH Phone: (401) 274-1122, ext. 47111</p> <p>Email: dhaseotes@wihri.org</p>	<p>Transition to survivorship - Educational/Support group</p> <p>For survivors transitioning from active treatment to post treatment</p> <p>Check website for updates and cancelations - https://www.womenandinfants.org/services/cancer/support-groups.cfm</p>
<p>Any Cancer Type</p>	Marie Saccoccio	Monthly	3rd Wednesday of the month	11:00AM-3:00PM	Zoom meetings.	Please call for more information	Please Call for More Information	<p>Marie Saccoccio Phone: (401) 789-7112</p>	<p>Book Talk (club) - all read any book wanted and talk about the books.</p>

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Any Cancer Type	Lifespan Cancer Institute	Monthly	2nd Tuesday of the month	6:00PM-7:00PM	Leone Conference Center/Lifespan Cancer Center	593 Eddy St. Providence, RI	Please call for updates	1-844-222-2881	This support group is for all members of the cancer community who are interested in meeting with peers for discussion, education and support throughout the treatment and recovery process.
Breast or GYN Cancer Young Fight Strong	Lifespan Cancer Institute	Please call for more information	Please call for more information	Please call for more information	Please call for more information	Please call for more information	Please call for more information	Mary Lopresti Phone: 1-844-222-2881	The Young Fight Strong Program is for women 45 years old and younger who are living with or have survived breast and or GYN cancer. Mary Lopresti, DO, developed and heads this program, which provides workshops, lectures, research opportunities, and group discussions on issues relevant to young breast/GYN cancer patients. Discussion topics including sexuality, exercise, decreasing risk of cancer, and stress reduction.
Any Cancer Type Women's Cancer Wellness Group	Lifespan Cancer Institute - Miriam Hospital	Monthly	1st and 3rd Thursday of the month	4:00PM-5:30PM	Video meeting	Please call for more information	Please Call for More Information	Susan Garland Phone: (401) 444-2584 Elaine McDonald Phone: (401) 444-0058 Melissa Conroy Phone: (401) 444-5519	This is a wellness support group for women with any type and stage of cancer who are interested in meeting with peers for discussion, education and support throughout the treatment and recovery process.

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<p style="text-align: center;">Blood Cancer</p> <p>Patti Robinson Kaufmann First Connection Program</p>	The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment	By Appointment, fill out request form here: https://www.llsform.org/0999FS18/form53/index.html	<p style="text-align: center;">The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society</p> <p>Phone: (401) 943-8888</p>	<p>The Patti Robinson Kaufmann First Connection Program is a peer-to-peer program that links newly diagnosed patients and their families with trained volunteers who have experienced blood cancer first-hand and can understand your experience. Trained volunteer survivors offer caring support and information by sharing their special perspective on the recovery process.</p> <p>For more information visit https://www.lls.org/support/peer-to-peer-support</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Blood Cancer</p> <p>Leukemia, Lymphoma, and Myeloma</p> <p>Young Adults</p>	The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	Weekly	Tuesday	8:30 PM-10:30 PM	Online	https://www.lls.org/support/online-chats	<p>Registration is Required:</p> <p>Register at: http://email.lls.org/online-chat-registration</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Leukemia & Lymphoma Society</p> <p>Phone: 1-800-955-4573</p>	<p>This chat provides a forum for young adult patients (ages 18-39) to address the stresses and triumphs shared by those living with survivorship issues. This chat is open for you to discuss any issue related to living with leukemia, lymphoma or myeloma: a new diagnosis, treatment decisions, clinical trials, treatment side effects, relapse, emotional toll, interpersonal relationships, fatigue, living with uncertainty and other survivorship issues.</p>

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Blood Cancer Chronic Myeloid Leukemia	The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	Biweekly	Tuesday and Thursday	8:00PM-10:00PM	Online	https://www.lls.org/support/online-chats	Registration is Required: Register at: http://email.lls.org/online-chat-registration	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Phone: 1-800-955-4574	This chat provides a forum for patients to address the stresses and triumphs shared by those living with CML. This chat is open for you to discuss any issue related to living with CML: a new diagnosis, treatment decisions, relapse, treatment side effects, emotional toll, fatigue, interpersonal relationships, clinical trials, living with uncertainty, etc.
Blood Cancer Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma	The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	Biweekly	Monday and Wednesday	7:30PM-10:00PM (MON) 12:00PM-2:30PM (WED)	Online	https://www.lls.org/support/online-chats	Registration is Required: Register at: http://email.lls.org/online-chat-registration	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Phone: 1-800-955-4575	This chat provides a forum for patients to address the stresses and triumphs shared by those living with NHL. This chat is open for you to discuss any issue related to living with NHL: a new diagnosis, treatment decisions, relapse, treatment side effects, emotional toll, fatigue, interpersonal relationships, clinical trials, living with uncertainty, etc.
Blood Cancer Myeloma	The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	Weekly	Tuesday	8:00PM-10:00PM	Online	https://www.lls.org/support/online-chats	Registration is Required: Register at: http://email.lls.org/online-chat-registration	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Phone: 1-800-955-4576	This chat provides a forum for patients to address the stresses and triumphs shared by those living with myeloma. This chat is open to discuss any issue related to living with myeloma: a new diagnosis, treatment decisions, relapse, treatment side effects, emotional toll, fatigue, clinical trials, living with uncertainty, etc.

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Blood Cancer Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia	The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	Weekly	Wednesday	8:00PM-10:00PM	Online	https://www.lls.org/support/online-chats	Registration is Required: Register at: http://email.lls.org/online-chat-registration	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Phone: 1-800-955-4577	This chat provides a forum for patients to address the stresses and triumphs shared by those living with chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) / small-cell lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL). This chat is open to discuss any issue related to living with CLL: a new diagnosis, treatment decisions, relapse, treatment side effects, emotional toll, fatigue, clinical trials, living with uncertainty, etc.
Blood Cancer Actue Leukemia	The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society	Weekly	Thursday	8:00PM-10:00PM	Online	https://www.lls.org/support/online-chats	Registration is Required: Register at: http://email.lls.org/online-chat-registration	Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Phone: 1-800-955-4578	This chat provides a forum for patients to address the stresses and triumphs shared by those living with acute leukemia. This chat is open to discuss any issue related to living with acute leukemia: a new diagnosis, treatment decisions, relapse, treatment side effects, emotional toll, fatigue, clinical trials, living with uncertainty, etc.
Blood Cancer Multiple Myeloma	RI Multiple Myeloma Support Group	Bi-monthly	1st Saturday every other month Meets Februrary, April, June, August, October, December	9:00AM-11:30PM	Online	http://warwick.supportmyeloma.org/	Please call for more information	Mirna Sangiovanni Phone: (401) 954-6107 Email: RI@imfsupport.org	Interested patients, caregivers, family members & friends are encouraged to join us. This is an excellent way to meet and interact with other survivors and caregivers to learn the latest advances in the treatment and management of Myeloma.

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Brain & Spine Cancer For patients, care givers and loved ones.	The Rhode Island Brain & Spinal Tumor Foundation	Monthly	Second Wednesday of the month	5:30PM-7:30PM	Rhode Island Neurosurgical Institute	118 Dudley St., Providence, RI 02905	Please call or email for more information	The Rhode Island Brain & Spinal Tumor Foundation Phone: (401) 272-4177 Email: ribstf@gmail.com	Free meeting for information and support for brain & spine cancer patients, care givers, and loved ones. *Should any of these dates change or a meeting has to be cancelled we will notify you in advance. Please make sure to sign in and provide updated address, phone number and/or email address so that we can contact you immediately. Information will also be posted on the website at www.ribstf.org
Breast Cancer Metastatic Breast Cancer Support Group	Women & Infants Hospital	Monthly	2nd Tuesday of the month	10:30AM-12:00PM	Women & Infants' Program in Women's Oncology	Third Floor 668 Eddy St. Providence, RI	Please Call for More Information	Nike Hendall, MSW, LICSW Phone: (401) 274-1122, ext. 47211 Email: nkendall@wihri.org	Metastatic Breast Cancer Support Group For women living with chronic disease Check website for updates and cancelations - https://www.womenandinfants.org/services/cancer/support-groups.cfm
Breast Cancer	Kent County Support Group	Monthly	2nd Thursday of the month	6:30PM-8:00PM	Kent County Hospital Imaging Center	455 Toll Gate Rd. Warwick, RI	Drop-In	Kent County Support Group Phone: (401) 736-3737 ex. 1	Kent Hospital's Breast Cancer Support Group is an informal, ongoing group bringing people together to share their experiences and problems related to cancer and to provide one another with comfort and help.

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Breast Cancer	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation	Bimonthly	1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month	6:30PM-8:00PM	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation, Suite 201	249 Roosevelt Ave. Suite 201 Pawtucket, RI	Please call, email or check social media for more information	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation Phone: (401) 861-HERO (4376)	This group is facilitated by a LMHC
Breast Cancer	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation	Bimonthly	2nd and 4th Monday of the month	11:00AM - 12:00PM	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation, Suite 201	249 Roosevelt Ave. Suite 201 Pawtucket, RI	Please call, email or check social media for more information	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation Phone: (401) 861-HERO (4376)	This group is facilitated by a LMHC
Breast Cancer	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation	Monthly	3rd Monday of the month	10:00AM - 11:30AM	The Gloria Gemma Hope Bus at South County Hospital (rear of main parking lot)	100 Kenyon Ave. Wakefield, RI	Please call, email or check social media for more information	Maureen DiPiero Phone: (401) 861-HERO (4376)	This group is facilitated by a LMHC
Breast Cancer	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation	Monthly	3rd Tuesday of the month	10:30AM-12:00PM	The Gloria Gemma Hope Bus at Landmark Medical Center/Cancer Center	115 Cass Ave. Woonsocket, RI	Please call, email or check social media for more information	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation Phone: (401) 861-HERO (4376)	Please call for more information

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Breast Cancer Young Survivors	Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation	Weekly	Tuesdays	5:00PM-6:00PM	Various community locations	Various community locations	Please call, email or check social media for more information	Mandy Zito Phone: (401) 861-HERO (4376)	Activities may include yoga classes, walking groups, girls' night out, etc.
Breast Cancer Reach To Recovery	American Cancer Society	Varies	Monday - Friday	7:00AM-9:00PM	Varies	931 Jefferson Blvd. Suite 3004 Warwick, RI	Please Call for More Information	American Cancer Society Phone: (800) 227-2345	One-on-one support is given through visits between the survivor and patient (either face-to-face, phone, or online visits). In order to be eligible for a visit, patients should be facing one or more of the following issues: Recent breast cancer diagnosis or facing a possible breast cancer diagnosis; Considering, undergoing or having completed surgery such as lumpectomy or mastectomy; Considering, undergoing or having completed treatment such as chemotherapy or radiation; Considering breast reconstruction; Dealing with lymphedema due to a breast cancer diagnosis; Facing breast cancer recurrence or metastasis. HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE. MANY LANGUAGES OFFERED.

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Gynecological Cancers	Women & Infants Hospital	Monthly	1st Thursday of the month	5:00PM-6:30PM	Women & Infants' Program in Women's Oncology	Third Floor 668 Eddy St., Providence, RI	Drop-In	<p>Diane Thompson, MSW, LICSW Phone: (401) 274-1122, ext. 47202</p> <p>Email: dthompson@wihri.org</p>	<p>For patients who are diagnosed with a gynecologic cancer</p> <p>Check website for updates and cancellations - https://www.womenandinfants.org/services/cancer/support-groups.cfm</p>
Lung Cancer Survivors	American Lung Association & Inspire	24/7	24/7	24/7	Online	https://www.inspire.com/groups/american-lung-association-lung-cancer-survivors/	<p>Register at: https://www.inspire.com/join/group/american-lung-association-lung-cancer-survivors/</p>	<p>American Lung Association Phone: 1-800-586-4872</p> <p>Email: info@lung.org</p> <p>Inspire Phone: (800) 945-0381</p> <p>Email: team@inspire.com</p>	<p>Lung cancer survivors support group and discussion community.</p> <p>Welcome to Inspire's Lung Cancer Survivors community offered in partnership with the American Lung Association. The largest lung cancer support group for patients and caregivers living with lung cancer.</p> <p>Find answers to common questions about lung cancer and join a lung cancer support group of individuals with similar experiences.</p>
<p>If you are aware of any support groups currently running in Rhode Island that are not listed in this document, feel free to reach out to us at (401)222-3047, and we'd be happy to add the information.</p> <p>A special thanks to Megan Daniel, for her work on updating this list.</p>									

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