



## Mid-South Division Patient Resources

Community Resources Database (CRD) - The Mid-South Division collects and provides referrals to local resources that address the needs of patients, their families and caregivers.

National Cancer Information Center (1-800-ACS-2345) -The American Cancer Society's cancer information and resource service is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by calling 1-800-ACS-2345. Trained cancer information specialists are available to answer questions and connect callers to local resources.

American Cancer Society Web site ([www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)) - The American Cancer Society's Web site is an important extension of the Society's mission to provide lifesaving information to the public.

Cancer Survivors Network - Many times cancer survivors long to connect with someone who can understand their experience. Through the American Cancer Society's Cancer Survivors Network, survivors and caregivers share information and find much needed support. Survivors and caregivers can participate in live chats and discussions with others, as well as listen to and read pre-recorded discussions. This service is available by linking through [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

Support, Visitation and Education Resources - The American Cancer Society offers a variety of programs and services designed to address specific issues that cancer patients face, including:

Reach to Recovery - A volunteer visitation program that matches breast cancer survivors with anyone who has a concern about breast cancer.

Look Good...Feel Better - A program in which trained volunteer cosmetologists help female cancer patients deal with the appearance-related side effects of treatment by teaching them beauty techniques to enhance their appearance and self-image.

Man to Man - A prostate cancer education and support group that offers education, discussion and support to men with prostate cancer.



I Can Cope - A patient education program designed to help cancer patients and their loved ones deal with their cancer experience.

Support Groups - These groups help cancer patients and their families deal with the physical and emotional stress of coping with cancer diagnosis and treatment.

Transportation Grants Program - The Mid-South Division provides funds, in the form of a grant, to social service departments of qualifying hospitals or freestanding treatment centers who provide radiation therapy. The funds are to be used to assist cancer patients with emergency recurring/chronic transportation needs, when no other assistance is available.

College Scholarship Program - The Mid-South Division has established a scholarship program that awards \$1,000 scholarships to young cancer survivors pursuing higher education. Students who were diagnosed with cancer before age 21, maintain a 2.5 GPA, and have been accepted to an accredited university, college or vocational school may apply for this competitive scholarship.