

# Illinois CancerCare Foundation



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## Mission

The Illinois CancerCare Foundation is committed to funding research, education and awareness of a disease which affects one in three people. As we fight to find cures through nationally-recognized research initiatives, it is our strong belief that our patients must have available to them every possible weapon in their battle.

## Vision

The physicians and staff at Illinois CancerCare are relentless in working to find better treatments, therapies and ultimately cures for many forms of cancer. The clinical research trial participation currently conducted through Illinois CancerCare ranks in the top 10 in the nation. In addition to supporting research, the Foundation funds education and awareness programs and patient support and assistance programs.

## Upcoming Events

### Swing for the Cure

May 18, 2018

Dozer Park

### Mini Golfin' in the Wild

June 23, 2018

Illinois CancerCare, Peoria location

Fun for all ages!

### Golfin' in the Wild

August 11, 2018

Wildlife Prairie Park

### CUREageous

November 9, 2018

Par-A-Dice Hotel Casino



The Illinois CancerCare Foundation is a charitable organization like no other in our community. While 100 percent of the funds granted are used in our region to support cancer research, education and patient support, the impact of our services resounds globally.

## NEW TREATMENT TRIALS

Our foundation, in collaboration with Illinois CancerCare, helps bring the latest nationally renowned clinical cancer research trials right here to our community—giving cancer patients and their families greater access to advanced treatment options and greater HOPE close to home.

## EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY

Gifts to the Foundation bring us closer to cures through support of educational events and training for volunteer advocates. The Foundation understands that the best care we can provide is through prevention. We partner with community experts to educate our community on steps to stay healthy.

## PATIENT SUPPORT

The Foundation's Trust in Hope program provides compassion and support to cancer patients and their families during the holidays. In the last nine years, nearly 2,000 Thanksgiving meals have been delivered and over 125 families with nearly 300 children have received holiday gifts. Foundation grants also provide transportation assistance, assessment tools, lymphedema support and other therapies that help patients deal with the side effects of cancer treatment.

## GENETIC TESTING

The Foundation is excited to announce new funding for a Community Pancreatic Screening Program, providing genetic testing at no charge to first and second-generation relatives of individuals diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Last year, the Foundation funded a new pancreatic screening program for Illinois CancerCare, P.C. pancreatic patients to look at genetic mutations that may help identify family members at high risk for developing pancreatic cancer.

Together, these programs empower families to understand their risks, provide relief from uncertainty and make informed decisions about their healthcare. The Foundation also supports other genetic screening programs to identify hereditary cancer, with emphasis on families at risk for hereditary colorectal and breast cancer. Additionally, we support studies that offer targeted therapies to patients whose tumors have "driver mutations" found through molecular sequencing.

## How to Help

You can support the Illinois CancerCare Foundation with a financial gift of a donation or sponsorship, an in-kind donation, or by volunteering your time. Visit [IllinoisCancerCareFoundation.org](http://IllinoisCancerCareFoundation.org) or contact our Foundation office at [info@IllinoisCancerCareFoundation.org](mailto:info@IllinoisCancerCareFoundation.org) or (309) 243-3437.

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