

# Illinois CancerCare Foundation



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## Mission

Making an impact in the lives of cancer patients in our community, while paving the way to a cure.

## Vision

The physicians and staff at Illinois CancerCare are relentless in working towards finding 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

June 10, 2017

Dozer Park

### Mini Golfin' in the Wild

New family-friendly event!

July 15, 2017

Illinois CancerCare, Peoria

### 6th annual Golfin' in the Wild

August 12, 2017

Wildlife Prairie Park

### 8th annual CUREageous

November 10, 2017

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 *Advancing A Cure* education events and training for volunteer advocates. We share the importance of clinical research in hopes of reducing barriers to clinical trial participation. 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 eight years alone, nearly 1,500 Thanksgiving meals have been delivered and over 100 families with nearly 250 children have received holiday gifts. Foundation grants also

provide transportation assistance, assessment tools, lymphedema support and other therapies that help patients deal with side effects of cancer treatment.

## GENETIC TESTING

The Foundation supports genetic screening programs to identify hereditary cancers, 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. Thanks to our generous contributors, eligible patients can receive financial assistance for their tumor sequencing when needed. New this year, the Foundation is also funding a pancreatic screening program to look for genetic mutations that may help us identify family members at high risk for developing pancreatic cancer. This program is available for all Illinois CancerCare pancreatic cancer patients. These programs empower families to understand their risks, provide relief from uncertainty, and make informed decisions about their healthcare.

## How to Help

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

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