

# Lymphoma Research Foundation



**T**he Lymphoma Research Foundation (LRF) is the nation's largest voluntary health organization devoted exclusively to funding lymphoma research and providing patients and healthcare professionals with critical information on this disease.

LRF's mission is to eradicate lymphoma and serve those touched by this disease.

## Quick Facts About Lymphoma

There are more than 67 subtypes of lymphoma, including six forms of Hodgkin lymphoma (HL) and over 61 types of non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL)<sup>1</sup>. Lymphoma is the most common blood cancer and the third most common childhood cancer.

Currently, over 500,000 Americans are living with lymphoma. The overall five-year survival rate is 85 percent for HL and 65 percent for NHL<sup>2</sup>.

## About Us

LRF was formed in November 2001 by the merger of the New York City-based Cure for Lymphoma Foundation (CFL) and the Los Angeles-based Lymphoma Research Foundation of America (LRFA). Both CFL and LRFA were founded by lymphoma advocates who sought to turn a life-changing diagnosis into a positive experience for others with this disease.

## Research

LRF's Scientific Advisory Board (SAB), which is comprised of 45 world-renowned lymphoma experts, guides the Foundation's research activities. The Foundation funds some of the most cutting-edge research to find a cure for lymphoma through Fellowships and Clinical Investigator Career Development Awards. Special disease-specific initiatives include: Follicular Lymphoma Research Initiative, Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia/Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma (CLL/SLL) Research Initiative and Mantle Cell Lymphoma Research Initiative/Mantle Cell Lymphoma Research Consortium.

LRF is the world's largest private funding source for mantle cell lymphoma research.

As of the close of June 30th, 2008, the Foundation has funded over \$37 million in lymphoma research.

## For Patients, Survivors and Loved Ones

The Lymphoma Research Foundation provides a comprehensive series of programs and services for patients, survivors and loved ones, including:

- In-person programs
- *Lymphoma Helpline & Clinical Trials Information Service*
- *Lymphoma Support Network* – one-to-one buddy program
- Patient Aid Grant Program
- Publications and newsletters
- Informational teleconferences and webcasts/podcasts

For more information about LRF's patient programs, please contact a member of the *Helpline* at (800) 500-9976 or [helpline@lymphoma.org](mailto:helpline@lymphoma.org).

## For Healthcare Professionals

LRF is committed to educating healthcare professionals on the latest developments in lymphoma diagnosis, treatment and management by developing or sponsoring various lymphoma-specific in-person workshops, conference symposia and informational webcasts.

## Local Chapters

Through its chapter network, LRF meets the needs of the lymphoma community on the local level. Chapter volunteers educate others about lymphoma, reach out to newly diagnosed patients, raise funds for research and

1. World Health Organization, Classification of Tumours of Haematopoietic and Lymphoid Tissues, Fourth Edition, 2009.

2. American Cancer Society, Cancer Facts and Figures, 2009. Atlanta: American Cancer Society; 2009.

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participate in public policy and advocacy efforts. For information about our current chapters or if you wish to start a chapter, visit [www.lymphoma.org](http://www.lymphoma.org), call (800) 235-6848 or email [chapters@lymphoma.org](mailto:chapters@lymphoma.org).

## Public Policy & Advocacy

Through its grassroots action network, LRF advocates work on behalf of the entire lymphoma community to increase federal funding for lymphoma research and education, and to ensure access to high quality cancer care for every patient.

To join LRF's advocacy efforts, register at [www.lymphoma.org](http://www.lymphoma.org) and select the "Public Policy & Advocacy" interest box.

## Funding our Mission

Your gifts make a difference and help us in our efforts to eradicate lymphoma. Ways to give include: outright gifts, online one-time donations or a pledge to make multiple donations throughout the year, multi-year pledges; workplace giving, employer matching gifts, securities and bequests.

Gifts can be earmarked to honor special occasions in your loved ones' lives: birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, weddings, etc. or to celebrate the memory of someone lost to lymphoma.

Our nationwide *LYMPHOM*athons are non-competitive 5K walks where survivors, family, friends, community and corporate teams walk in honor and in memory of those whose lives have been touched by lymphoma. Since 2003, LRF has raised over \$6 million through its nationwide Lymphomathon program. To learn more, contact [Events@lymphoma.org](mailto:Events@lymphoma.org).

Team LRF is a program in which people raise funds and awareness for LRF through various sporting events. Combining passion for sporting and endurance events with dedication to raising awareness and finding a cure for lymphoma is a wonderful way to support LRF's mission. Staff support makes fundraising easy, fun, and rewarding by offering the tools and resources to help make Team LRF participants successful.

For additional information on ways you can help fund our work including creating your own Community Fundraiser and other events held in your area, please contact [Development@lymphoma.org](mailto:Development@lymphoma.org) or visit our website [www.lymphoma.org](http://www.lymphoma.org).

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## Key Websites

Lymphoma Research Foundation: [lymphoma.org](http://lymphoma.org)

Lymphoma Facts: [lymphomafacts.org](http://lymphomafacts.org)  
*Information is available in English, Spanish and Chinese*

*Lymphomathon:* [lymphomathon.org](http://lymphomathon.org)

CLL/SLL: [clinfogroup.org](http://clinfogroup.org)

Mantle Cell Lymphoma: [mantlecllymphoma.org](http://mantlecllymphoma.org)