

Blood & Marrow & Stem Cell Transplants Information, Research, & Patient Support Resources

There are a lot of different terms used for transplantation of the body's hematapoietic (blood) stem cells.

Be the Match www.marrow.org 1-800-526-7809 or 612-627-5800

Be the Match manages the National Marrow Donor Program for the United States. All the registries tie into this one. It coordinating match searches for patients to all marrow donor registries around the world. It also conducts research and participates in policy development that affects the transplant field and patients. Be the Match provides information, resources, and support to transplant patients and their families. When a patient registers with Be the Match as a SCT patient, they will send information that is timely to where you are in the transplant process.

ExploreBMT www.explorebmt.org

ExploreBMT is a great place to start when you are looking for information and support about blood and marrow transplantation. Created by Be the Match, you can browse resources and services from many respected organizations. You can then connect to the resources that you need most throughout your transplant journey, from diagnosis through survivorship.

Blood & Marrow Transplant Information Network www.BMTinfonet.org

BMT InfoNet provides transplant patients, survivors, and their loved ones with emotional support and high quality, easy to understand information about bone marrow, peripheral blood stem cell and cord blood transplants. The website is excellent with links to other resources. This site was developed by patients for patients.

nbmtLink (National Bone Marrow Transplant Link) www.nbmtlink.org

1-800-LINK-BMT (800-546-5268)

The mission of the National Bone Marrow Transplant Link is to help patients, caregivers, and families cope with the social and emotional challenges of bone marrow/stem cell transplant from diagnosis through survivorship by providing vital information and personalized support services.

Bone Marrow Foundation www.bonemarrow.org

Offers financial assistance and free support services to marrow/stem cell transplant patients and their families. The *Lifeline Fund* provides financial assistance to help

cover the costs of transplant-related expenses. A *One to One Fund* can be created for a specific patient; it is a simple, cost-effective way for a patient's family, friends, and community to raise money on a patient's behalf with all money raised going directly to their benefit. All donations are tax deductible.

BMF also provides resources and support services for patients and survivors post-transplant. *SupportLine* connects a patients who may be considering or actually undergoing transplant with post-transplant patients.

Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA)

The US Department of Health & Human Services has HRSA data on Blood Cell Transplant. http://bloodcell.transplant.hrsa.gov/research/transplant_data/us_tx_data/data_by_center/cent_er.aspx

It's easy to join the US marrow donor registry:

www.bethematch.org

www.deletebloodcancer.org