



THE MYELOMA
LYMPHOMA &
LEUKAEMIA
FOUNDATION
OF BARBADOS



MISSION STATEMENT

To provide comprehensive support for persons afflicted with blood-related cancers in Barbados.

Founded as the Myeloma Foundation and Support Group of Barbados in February 2002, later, as of May 2002, broadened to include Lymphoma and Leukaemia.

Registered as the Myeloma, Lymphoma and Leukaemia Foundation of Barbados (MLLF) Charity #579

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MAIN OBJECTIVES

- (A) SUPPORT: To provide a support network for sufferers of blood related cancers and their families.*
- (B) EDUCATION: To educate patients, their families, caregivers and the Barbadian public about blood related cancers.*
- (C) ADVOCACY: To act as an agent on behalf of such persons on matters pertaining to blood related cancers.*
- (D) FINANCIAL: To assist financially where possible.*

SERVICES OFFERED

[A] EDUCATION

- (1) Upon diagnosis of the specific type of haematological cancer the patient has, educational material is given to the patient and family members. These books are designed especially for patients and their families.*
- (2) Bi-weekly Educational and Counselling Sessions are conducted at the Haematological Clinic of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.*
- (3) The MLLF offers educational outreach in the community as the need arises and upon request from organizations and persons in the community.*

[B] FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- (1) The MLLF has established a Prescription Medication Programme for patients who are unable to purchase their medication, when these medications are not on the Barbados Drug Formulary.*
- (2) Assistance is given for other medical services such as X-rays, MRI, Laboratory Tests and Blood Tests. At times, a small donation is given to a patient going overseas for medical treatment.*
- (3) A Funeral Grant has been established to assist very needy families in their most difficult time.*

All payments for services provided by MLLF are made directly to the service provider.

[C] SOCIAL WELFARE SERVICE

- (1) The MLLF provides for home and hospital visits.*
- (2) Professional counselling will be provided for the patient and their families upon request.*
- (3) We supply toiletries, wheelchairs, food items, floral arrangements and any other services appropriate to patients during hospitalisation or home visits.*
- (4) Furniture and equipment are donated to the Q.E.H. for patients' use.*

[D] RESEARCH

The Dalton Durant Haematological Cancer Registry 2005-2009. We were able to ascertain from the data collected in this registry the most frequently occurring blood-related cancers in Barbados.

[E] FUND RAISING

Main Sources are:

- (1) Annual Tea Party*
- (2) Concerts*
- (3) Donations from organisations and the general public*
- (4) Cake sales*
- (5) Membership fees*

[F] MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to any adult 18 years old and over.

Our Membership Fees are:

\$25.00 yearly or \$70.00 for 3 years.

[G] FOUNDERS

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The Motto for The Myeloma, Lymphoma
& Leukaemia Foundation of Barbados is
"LIFE IS A GIFT"