

# THE DIRECT FINANCIAL AID POLICY 2017

#### Introduction

The Breast Cancer Foundation for the most part delegates responsibility for determining the eligibility for and quantum of direct financial assistance for breast cancer patients and survivors to the Cayman Islands Cancer Society ("CICS"). This is done by way of an annual grant designed to cover the bulk of CICS annual financial assistance grants to breast cancer patients. The reason for this is that The Breast Cancer Foundation does not want to build up the administrative infrastructure required to independently assess individual financial suitability for financial support. CICS has well defined policies and procedures and the staffing to make informed judgments as to the suitability of candidates for financial support.

#### **Exceptions**

The Breast Cancer Foundation will consider making exceptions to the above approach in circumstances whereby a breast cancer patient or sufferer has been turned down by CICS on the grounds of either length of time in the Cayman Islands or because the nature of the support does not fall within their approved criteria. In such circumstances The Breast Cancer Foundation will independently assess the financial suitability of the applicant on a one off basis. The responsibility for assessing the initial financial suitability of applicants rests with the Chief Administrator who will prepare a detailed assessment of the case in question and a formal written recommendation to the Board.

In considering recommendations, the Board will consistently apply one overarching criteria, in that the applicant must clearly qualify as not having the wherewithal to cover the uninsured costs associated with the treatment or consequential costs associated with the treatment. To be more specific a candidate will be deemed to be not suitable for financial assistance in the following circumstances.

- 1. Where the applicant has sufficient savings to cover the costs or consequential costs.
- 2. Where the applicant is employed and has identifiable future earning capability to cover the costs if they were covered in the short to medium term by the utilization of credit that is readily available to the applicant (for example by way of a bank loan or the use of a credit card facility).

In making an exception to the standard approach of outsourcing the financial assessment effort to CICS, the Board will only consider doing so where the applicant clearly would either be unable to avail themselves of the available treatment without The Breast Cancer Foundations' support, or where the applicant would be placed in a situation of severe ongoing financial hardship that could not readily be relieved in any way in the short to medium term.

Direct Financial Aid may be granted at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors, and should any false information be provided or a change in financial circumstances fail to be advised to the Board, then assistance will be denied or stopped immediately and full repayment of any prior assistance provided may be demanded



# **Approved Expense Categories**

The following expenses are eligible for coverage under a pre-approved Financial Aid Grant

- Proven treatment protocols
- Outpatient diagnostic testing
- Laboratory and pathological Services
- Lodging and airfare
- Prosthetic devices
- Prescribed medications
- Other travel related expenses including but not limited to food and car rental at the discretion of the board.

#### **Procedures**

The Chief Administrator should compile the following information to support any Direct Financial Aid Recommendation presented to the Board for consideration.

- 1. CICS Financial Aid form in its entirety, or as abridged to suit individual circumstances.
- 2. Proof of diagnosis.
- 3. Health Insurance coverage letter.
- 4. Confirmation of an application to CICS that has been rejected, or statement as to why an application would be unsuccessful.
- 5. Availability of credit.
- 6. Detailed budget for financial aid requested.
- 7. Formal recommendation from the Chief Administrator explains why the particular case fits within the Foundation's policy.



# **APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Please answer all the questions, if a question is not applicable to you please answer N/A. If you need addition space to answer any questions, please use the space provided in the "additional information" page.

Date				
Applicants Details				
First Name		Last Naı	me	
Any other name used/known by				
Male / Female (please delete	e as appropriate)	D.O.B (d	ld/mm/year)	
Marital Status (Please circle) Single	Married Divorced	Separated	Widowed	
Do you have a disability? (if yes, ple	ase give details)			
Mailing address P.O. Box	Island		Postal Code k	XY1
Street Address – House No	Street			District
Directions to your house				
Home Phone No	Mobile No		v	Vork Phone
Email				
Residence Status (please circle) \	Vork Permit Holder	Cayman	ian	Permanent Resident
How long have you lived in Cayman	(if not a resident)			
Family Information				
Next of Kin – Name			Relation	to you
Mailing address (if different to appl	icants) P.O. Box	Island		Postal Code KY1
Home Phone	Work Phone		_ Cell Phone _	
E-mail address				



Dependents – do you have any? If so, please give details:-

Household members	Full Name	DOB (D/M/Y)	Nationality	Occupation
Have you applied to the	CI Cancer Society for fina	ncial aid Yes / N	lo (plea	ase circle)
What was the result of t	hat application			
If refused, what reasons	were given			
Type of financial aid being requested				



# **Medical Information** Name of your doctor(s) in Cayman \_\_\_\_\_\_ Doctor(s) location(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Doctor(s) phone number(s) Date of last visit \_\_\_\_\_\_ Any other Doctors, treating you abroad? Please give their details, name and contact information \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date of Diagnosis \_\_\_\_\_ What treatments have you received to date? (include surgeries and dates for those surgeries\_\_\_\_\_\_ When is your next scheduled treatment date \_\_\_\_\_\_ where will that be? \_\_\_\_\_ **Employment Information** Name of Employer \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail and phone number of employer \_\_\_\_\_\_

If you are unemployed please state reason for unemployment \_\_\_\_\_\_

Address of Employer \_\_\_\_\_



**Insurance Information** Do you have medical insurance YES / NO (please circle) If yes, please give us the details of your insurance, name of company, Policy ID, Employee Number, their address and contact details (e-mail and phone number) and a contact person. What does your insurance cover? **Financial Information** Name of your bankers / saving institution \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_\_ phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Balance in all accounts CI\$ \_\_\_\_\_\_ US\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ List any Assets owned by you (i.e. house, land etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_



Monthly income						
Employment		CI\$	per	month		
Spouses Employm	ent	CI\$	per	month		
Social Services		CI\$	per	month		
Child maintenanc	e	CI\$	per	month		
Relatives & friend	ls	CI\$	per	month		
Pension		CI\$	per	month		
Other income		CI\$	per	month		
Total Income		CI\$	per	month		
Monthly expense	s					
Rent/Mortgage	CI\$		per month			
Car gas /transpor	tation CI\$		per month			
Credit Cards	CI\$		per month		Life Ins CI\$	per month
Electricity	CI\$		per month		Phone CI\$	per month
Domestic Helper	CI\$		per month		Groceries CI\$	per month
School fees	CI\$		per month		Health InsCI\$	per month
Child Maintenanc	e CI\$		per month		Care Giver CI\$	per month
Bank Loan	CI\$		per month		Pension CI\$	per mont
Water/electric/ga	ıs CI\$		per month		Cable TV CI\$	per montl
Car Insurance		CI\$	pe	r month	Garbage feesCI\$	per montl
Miscellaneous	CI\$		per month (	please give de	etails)	
Total Expenses	CI\$		per month	Surplus or o	deficit CI\$	per month



1	declare to the best of my	y knowledge, all the information provided	d in this
application form and any supporting information	ation given to the Cayman	Islands Breast Cancer Foundation (BCF) is	true and
$\  \   \text{complete.} \   \text{If financial assistance is granted}$	I agree to advice the BCF of	of any change(s) to the information I have	supplied
today. I fully understand that all application	ns are considered by the Bo	pard of the BCF on an individual basis and a	im to be
fair and consistent. I understand that failing	•	·	•
advise of any change of financial circumsta		•	
assistance not being provided and may resul	•	.,	
accept and understand that in such circumsta	•		
receipt of a letter from the BCF requesting	such repayment. I also u	inderstand that financial assistance can be	stoppea
immediately at the discretion of the BCF.			
Applicants Signature		_ Date	
Witness Signature		_ Date	
Witness Name (printed)			
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Received by	Print name	<u></u>	
Date received			



Additional information sheet				



Authorization for Release information	
I hereby autil Companies, Department of Children's Services and any oth expenses, to release to the Cayman Islands Breast Cancer For assessment of my application for financial aid/assistance. medication costs, insurance coverage, terms of employment (balances and assistance being provided.	ner organization that maybe assisting me with my medical undation any information deemed necessary to complete my Including a not limited to; medical History, medical billing,
This Authorization lasts for a period of twelve months and may	be renewed by me by submitting a new authorization release
form.	
Signature of applicant	Date
Name (printed)	
Other names known by	
Mailing address	
Telephone No. Home Mobile	Work
Witnessed by	Date
Name (printed)	
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PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IF KNOWN:-	
Medical record number	
Health Insurance Police Provider	
Group Policy #	·
Individual Policy #	·



### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Attached is an authorization for release of information from the above name patient who is requesting financi with their medical bills from the Breast Cancer Foundation.  1. Primary Cancer		DOB		le
2. Date of diagnosis  3. Stage of Breast Cancer  4. Is this a new diagnosis or a recurrence?  5. Additional Information:  6. Prognosis  7. Is the patient currently receiving treatment? YES / NO  8. If YES, please circle all that apply, if NO please go to question 10  SURGERY CHEMOTHERAPY RADIATION CLINICAL TRIAL HORMONAL PALLATIVE CARE  OTHER (please specify)	ial assistance			
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10. If NO, is Post Treatment follow up needed YES / NO if yes, please explain		up needed YES / NO if yes, please explain	. If NC	10.



11. Other information you feel is relevant		
PHYSICIANS SIGNATURE	Date	
PHYSICIAN'S NAME		
Institution		
Address		
Phone		
E-mail		
Fax		