

Ovarian Cancer National Alliance

866/399-6262;
202/331-1332

The Alliance an umbrella organization whose mission is to conquer ovarian cancer by uniting individuals and organizations in a national movement. Advocacy, education and awareness constitute the main program areas. The Alliance is the main advocate for federal legislation, policy, funding, programs and support of ovarian cancer research on detection, diagnosis, and treatment. Educational programs and materials are provided through a network of individuals, health professionals, 47 partner member organizations and many other diverse organizations. Awareness is raised through a national campaign to "Turn UP The Volume" on ovarian cancer, represented through various materials including a quarterly newsletter, a Web site, advocacy materials and other awareness materials. The Alliance hosts a national ovarian cancer advocacy and survivor conference.

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The Ovarian Cancer Research Fund, Inc. (OCRF)

800/873-9569
212/268-1002

The Ovarian Cancer Research Fund is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the formulation of early diagnostic treatment programs and research aimed toward the ultimate conquest of ovarian cancer. As OCRF strives to find a cure, it also seeks to support patients and their loved ones in understanding this disease and its treatment, as well as to raise public awareness and provide educational information, including resource materials and a free video about ovarian cancer.

14 Pennsylvania Plaza, Suite 1400, New York, NY 10122
info@ocrf.org • www.ocrf.org

Ovarian Problems Discussion List

This e-mail discussion group gives women with ovarian cancer and related problems a chance to exchange information and support daily. Supporters and family members are also encouraged to join this group, which is sponsored by acor.org. To subscribe, go to www.acor.org, click on "mailing lists," and locate the Ovarian Problems Discussion List. Follow the instructions to join. For help in subscribing, or for more information, write to ovarian-request@listserv.acor.org.

OVARIAN PLUS INTERNATIONAL:

Gynecologic Cancer Prevention Quarterly

703/644-3162

This newsletter provides timely information about international research, diagnosis, and treatments for ovarian cancer and other gynecologic cancers. It targets risk reduction, screening, early detection, psychosocial and policy issues.

Emphasis is placed on the importance of care by a gynecologic oncologist when gynecologic cancer is first suspected. Published by a journalist with a strong family history of ovarian cancer, the newsletter contains practical tips based on true stories. A medical advisory board of prominent ovarian cancer researchers provides editorial review.

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Patient Advocate Foundation

800/532-5274

Patient Advocate Foundation is a national non-profit organization that serves as an active liaison between patients and their insurer, employers and/or creditors to resolve insurance, job retention and/or debt crisis due to their diagnosis through case managers, doctors, and attorneys. The Patient Advocate Foundation seeks to safeguard patients through effective mediation to ensure access to care, maintain employment and preserve financial stability. Contact us at: 1-800-532-5274 or www.patientadvocate.org.

SHARE: Self-help for Women with Breast or Ovarian Cancer

212/719-0364

SHARE is a not-for-profit organization providing information hotlines for breast and ovarian cancer survivors in English and in Spanish, peer-led support groups, and wellness, education and advocacy programs. It contributes to awareness regarding prevention, early detection, and research.

1501 Broadway, Suite 704A, New York, NY 10036
Toll-free number: 866/891-2392 • www.sharecancersupport.org

Society of Gynecologic Nurse Oncologists

800/446-3180

The SGN0 is an international organization of nurses and health professionals dedicated to the advancement of patient care, education and research in the field of gynecologic oncology and women's health care.

6024 Welch Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76133 • www.sgn0.org

Society of Gynecologic Oncologists

312/644-6610

The Society of Gynecologic Oncologists (SGO) is a national medical specialty society of physicians who are trained in the comprehensive management of women with reproductive malignancies. Its purpose is to improve the care of women with gynecologic cancer by encouraging research and disseminating knowledge to raise the standards of practice in the prevention and treatment of gynecologic malignancies in cooperation with other organizations interested in women's health care, oncology and related fields. It is the leading organization of gynecologic oncologists in the U.S. As gynecologic oncologists, its members are women's cancer specialists who have received an additional three-four years of intensive medical training in the study and treatment of malignancies arising in the female reproductive tract — ovary, endometrium, cervix, vulva and vagina. The Society's members provide unified, comprehensive medical and surgical care to women with reproductive tract cancers from diagnosis to completion of treatment.

401 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611 • sgo@sgo.org • www.sgo.org

The Wellness Community

888/793-WELL

The Wellness Community (TWC) is an international non-profit organization dedicated to providing free support and education for people with cancer and their loved ones. A leader in social and emotional support, TWC's primary goal is to help people affected by cancer obtain vital skills to regain control over their lives, reduce feelings of isolation and to restore a sense of hope. The TWC program is available for people with any type or stage of cancer and their loved ones. The Wellness Community's Patient Active Concept uses peer-reviewed, evidence-based research to create a unique environment where people with cancer can come together with others to learn how to participate actively as a partner with their health care team. TWC support groups, educational and stress management programs underscore the importance of well-being and quality of life, exercise, nutrition, improved communication with health care providers, clinical trial options, and more. Headquartered in Washington, DC, TWC has 21 facilities across the U.S., two centers abroad in Tokyo and Tel Aviv, and The Virtual Wellness Community, an online community of support and education. Call or go online to find a Wellness Community near you.

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help@thewellnesscommunity.org • www.thewellnesscommunity.org



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National Resource List

American Cancer Society

800/ACS-2345

The American Cancer Society is dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by saving lives, diminishing suffering, and preventing cancer through research, education, advocacy and service. Founded in 1913, and with national headquarters in Atlanta, the Society has 14 regional divisions and local offices in 3,400 communities, involving millions of volunteers across the United States. The American Cancer Society is available to people facing cancer when and where they need help. For cancer information and services anytime, day or night, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.

Cancer Survivors Network:

Created by and for cancer survivors and their families, this virtual community offers convenient accessibility to survivors, caregivers and all those touched by cancer. It is a welcoming, safe place for people to find hope and inspiration from others who have been there. Services include radio talk show conversation and interviews, individual stories, personal Web pages, discussion forums, an Expression Gallery, and more, available online at www.cancer.org.

1599 Clifton Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30329-4251 • www.cancer.org

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

202/863-2518

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) is dedicated to the advancement of women's health through education, practice, research, and advocacy. Founded in 1951, ACOG is a membership organization representing over 47,000 members who provide health care for women. ACOG provides patient education materials on a variety of topics, including gynecologic cancer. Information about these materials is available on the ACOG website at www.acog.org, by calling (202) 863-2518 or e-mailing a request to resources@acog.org. In addition, ACOG provides an online physician directory as a public service to women who wish to locate an obstetrician-gynecologist in their area. This service is available at www.acog.org.

409 12th Street, SW, PO Box 96920, Washington, DC 20090-6920

CancerCare

800/813-4673

CancerCare is dedicated to helping people face the many challenges of a cancer diagnosis. As the largest national non-profit organization of its kind, CancerCare provides free professional support services, including counseling, education, financial assistance and practical help to people across the country. Since its inception in 1944, CancerCare has offered help and hope to more than two million people with cancer, their family members and friends, as well as healthcare professionals. Services are available to people of all ages, with all types of cancer and at any stage of the disease. More information about CancerCare can be found online at www.cancercare.org or by calling (800) 813-HOPE.

275 Seventh Avenue, 22nd floor, New York, NY 10001
info@cancercare.org • www.cancercare.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

888/842-6355

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides credible information to enhance health decisions, and promotes health through strong partnerships.

The Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (DCPC) serves as a leader for nationwide cancer prevention and control, and as a partner with state health agencies and other key groups. DCPC provides consultation, assistance and training to state and local public health agencies and other health care provider organizations to improve education, training, and skills in the prevention, detection and control of selected cancers. Programs and initiatives address breast, cervical, colorectal, skin, prostate and ovarian cancers, as well as cancer surveillance and survivorship. CDC's ovarian cancer control initiative enhances knowledge about ovarian cancer by working with academic and medical institutions, and advocacy groups to identify factors related to the early detection and treatment of ovarian cancer. In addition, three cancer registry programs receive funds to evaluate care and outcomes for patients with ovarian cancer through CDC's National Program of Cancer registries.

4770 Buford Highway, MS-K52, Atlanta, GA 30341 • www.cdc.gov/cancer

CONVERSATIONS!

The International Newsletter for Those Fighting Ovarian Cancer

806/355-2565

Conversations! publishes a monthly newsletter written for ovarian cancer fighters that reports on treatment options, clinical trials, coping skills, and early detection strategies. Published twice a year, the newsletter includes stories with pictures written by long term survivors about their experiences, their journey and coping tips to help others. A networking service (Voices/Pen-Pals/Ovarian Cancer Connections) to match women in similar circumstances is available.

The newsletter is part of nonprofit Conversations! The International Ovarian Cancer Connection.

PO Box 7948, Amarillo, TX 79114-7948 • Fax: 806/467-9757
ovcaneews@aol.com • www.ovarian-news.org

EyesOnThePrize.org Support for Gynecologic Cancer

EyesOnThePrize.org Support and Information for Gynecologic Cancer is an international nonprofit organization founded in 2000 to provide information and emotional support from the survivors' perspective to women with gynecologic cancers, their families and friends and healthcare providers.

EyesOnThePrize builds community through its Web site and email discussion lists. Its web site offers survivor stories, answers to questions, resources, discussion about cervical, uterine, ovarian, vulvar, gestational, and other reproductive cancers. Information includes: a survivor point-of-view on diagnosis, treatment, side-effects, life after cancer for ovarian and other gynecologic cancers, links to related sites, database of "on-the-ground" local gynecologic cancer support groups.

446 S. Anaheim Hills Road, #108, Anaheim Hills, CA 92807
info@eyesontheprize.org • www.eyesontheprize.org

FORCE: Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered

866/824-Risk (7475)

FORCE is a national nonprofit organization providing support, information, awareness and advocacy for individuals concerned about or affected by hereditary breast or ovarian cancer, through its Web site, printed materials and toll-free helpline. Outreach is provided to those who may be at high risk for these cancers due to family history of cancer or a BRCA mutation.

16057 Tampa Palms Boulevard W, PMB #373, Tampa, FL 33647
954/255-8732 or 866/288-7475 (Toll-free voice mail)
info@facingourrisk.org • www.facingourrisk.org

Gilda Radner Familial Ovarian Cancer Registry

800/OVARIAN

The registry tracks families with a history of ovarian cancer. Helpline, education, information and peer support for women with high risk (family history) of ovarian cancer is available. The Registry research goals are to identify new genes associated with familial ovarian cancer.

Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Elm & Carlton Streets, Buffalo, NY 14263
www.ovariancancer.com

Gilda's Club Worldwide

888/GILDA-4-U

Gilda's Club is a free cancer support community for men, women, and children with any type of cancer and their family and friends. Through groups, lectures, workshops, and social events people build social and emotional support, and learn to live with cancer. There are 20 Gilda's Clubs throughout the U.S. and Canada.

322 Eighth Avenue, Suite 1402, New York, NY 10001 • www.gildasclub.org

Gynecologic Cancer Foundation (GCF)

800/444-4441

312/578-1439

The GCF is a not-for-profit organization established by the Society of Gynecologic Oncologists to support ovarian cancer research, training of cancer specialists in laboratory research, and a variety of programs for patient education and public awareness of gynecologic cancers. Calls to 1/800/444-4441 will enable individuals to obtain a list of nearby specialists in gynecologic oncology and informational literature. The GCF also sponsors an interactive Web site, the Women's Cancer Network (www.wcn.org). It offers understandable medical information about women's cancers; treatment options, experimental therapeutic programs, a confidential on-line risk assessment, a frequently asked question section, a wall of hope section, a calendar of events and clinical trials information. By answering specific questions, a woman will be told her risk for developing gynecologic and breast cancers, and how to reduce those risks.

230 West Monroe, Suite 2528, Chicago, IL 60606
info@thegcf.org • www.thegcf.org or www.wcn.org

The Lynne Cohen Foundation for Ovarian Cancer Research

877/OVARY-11

Founded in 1998 in memory of Lynne Cohen by her three daughters (then in their twenties), the Lynne Cohen Foundation is a nonprofit organization that raises funds to support medical research aimed at detecting ovarian cancer early (when a woman has the best chance for a cure), and cutting-edge treatments for primary diagnoses and recurrences. For women who have an increased risk of developing ovarian and/or breast cancer, the Foundation develops and funds preventive care clinics for women's cancers where women have access to physical exams, genetic counseling, cancer prevention and screening tests, educational materials, and screening and prevention trials. Sites include: Lynne Cohen at Bellevue Hospital Center, NYU Cancer Institute (for underserved women), Lynne Cohen at USC/Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center in Los Angeles, Lynne Cohen at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Lynne Cohen Breast Cancer Preventive Care at NYU Cancer Institute and Lynne Cohen at The University of Alabama, Birmingham (opening in 2006). The Foundation also sponsors an annual educational symposium, The Emerging Role of Screening & Prevention in Women's Cancers, and a Web site dedicated to heightening awareness of ovarian cancer warning signs and symptoms, www.lynnecohenfoundation.org.

PO Box 7128, Santa Monica, CA 90406-7128 • www.lynnecohenfoundation.org

National Cancer Institute (NCI) Cancer Information Service

800/4CANCER

(800/422-6237)

The National Cancer Institute's Cancer Information Service (CIS) is a national information and education network. It is a practical first stop for cancer patients. Trained information specialists provide information by telephone and on-line through the CIS's Live-Help Instant Messaging service on topics related to specific cancers, cancer treatments and coping strategies. Printed materials include "What You Need to Know about Ovarian Cancer," as well as lists of cancer centers and clinical trial information.

www.cancer.gov

National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship (NCCS)

877/622-7937

Founded in 1986 by and for people with cancer and those who care for them, the National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship (NCCS) is the only patient-led organization advocating exclusively on behalf of this country's 9 million survivors of all types of cancer and those who care for them. Its mission is to advocate for quality cancer care for all Americans. NCCS educates, empowers and unites survivors and their communities through its publications and programs, while representing their voice in Washington on policy issues that affect their ability to access quality cancer care.

1010 Wayne Avenue, Suite 770, Silver Spring, MD 20910
info@canceradvocacy.org • www.canceradvocacy.org

National Ovarian Cancer Association

877/413-7970

The National Ovarian Cancer Association is a Canadian organization dedicated to overcoming ovarian cancer, and providing leadership by supporting women living with the disease and their families, building awareness among the general public and health care professionals, and funding research into prevention, early detection, improved treatments and ultimately, a cure for this disease. Programs include a Web site, "Listen to the Whispers" public education kit with video, quarterly newsletter, resource kit with video for Canadian women who are newly diagnosed, regional educational symposia and an accredited online continuing education program for family doctors.

101-145 Front St. East, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5A 1E3
Canada-wide: 877/413-7970, 416/962-2700, or fax 416/962-2701
noca@ovariancanada.org • www.ovariancanada.org

National Ovarian Cancer Coalition (NOCC)

888/OVARIAN

NOCC is organization whose mission is to raise awareness about ovarian cancer to promote early detection and education about the disease. It sponsors professional education seminars for health care providers and educational forums for the community. The Coalition is committed to improving the overall survival rate and quality of life for women and families living with the disease. There are over 50 divisions of NOCC. Offers a toll-free helpline and comprehensive Web site.

500 SE Spanish River Boulevard, Suite 8, Boca Raton, FL 33431
561/393-0005, Fax: 561/393-7275 • NOCC@ovarian.com • www.ovarian.org

Office on Women's Health (OWH) 202/690-7650

The OWH (within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services) provides national leadership in advancing women's health through public policy, research, service delivery and education. The OWH develops, stimulates, and coordinates women's health research, health care services, and public and health professional education and training across the agencies of the Department of Health and Human Services. Programs include the Centers of Excellence in Women's Health. These centers provide integrated and comprehensive clinical services, including regular screening for breast and gynecologic cancers as well as research on women's health issues. The OWH also developed the National Women's Health Information Center (NWHIC). This gateway to over 800 topics on women's health, including reproductive health, is accessible through the Web site (www.4woman.gov) and the toll-free phone service (1-800-994-WOMAN).

200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 730B, Washington, DC 20201

Ovarian Cancer Canada

Cancer de l'ovaire Canada (OCC) 800/749-9310

Ovarian Cancer Canada/Cancer de l'ovaire Canada is a national, membership-based charitable organization founded by women diagnosed with ovarian cancer. OCC supports women with ovarian cancer and their families, women in general, and the broader community through awareness campaigns and activities, the creation and dissemination of education materials which are appropriate in language, format and content for particular audiences, and fundraisers for research in ovarian cancer. Programs include a Web site, a bi-monthly newsletter, a library of brochures, Wake Up! Canada awareness events, educational programs, and member support programs. Membership is free and open to all.

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