

## Financial and Material Support

Many agencies can assist you with financial and material needs. If your financial or material difficulty is related to a cancer diagnosis or treatment, it is recommended that you seek advice from your hospital social worker.

### ACT Eden Monaro Cancer Support Group

21 Cooma Street  
QUEANBEYAN NSW 2620  
[www.actemcsg.org.au](http://www.actemcsg.org.au)  
02 6297 1261

Provides financial assistance to families who are experiencing difficulties because a member of the family is undergoing cancer treatment.

### Camp Quality Canberra

1/19–27 Trenerry Square  
WESTON ACT 2611  
[www.campquality.org.au](http://www.campquality.org.au)  
02 6287 3545

Provides some financial support to families of children aged 0 to 18 living with cancer.

### Care Inc. Financial Counselling Service

Waldorf Apartments  
2 Akuna Street  
CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601  
[www.carefcs.org](http://www.carefcs.org)  
02 6257 1788

Provides financial counselling and information to people on moderate to low incomes who are experiencing financial difficulties.

### Centrelink

[www.centrelink.gov.au](http://www.centrelink.gov.au)  
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Various benefits are available such as health care cards, family allowance supplement, sickness allowance, carers allowance, special benefit, disability pension and others. Useful information can be found in the booklet entitled 'Are you ill, injured or do you have a disability?'

### Department of Veterans' Affairs

[www.dva.gov.au](http://www.dva.gov.au)  
1300 551 918

Provides a range of financial and medical benefits for war veterans and their dependants.

### External Breast Protheses Reimbursement Program

Medicare Australia  
[www.medicareaustralia.gov.au](http://www.medicareaustralia.gov.au)  
132 011

Provides reimbursement of up to \$400 for both new and replacement external breast protheses to all eligible women who have had a mastectomy as a result of breast cancer.

### Interstate Patient Travel Assistance Scheme (IPTAS)

Level 3  
Cnr Moore and Alinga Sts  
CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601  
[www.health.act.gov.au](http://www.health.act.gov.au)  
02 6205 3299

Provides financial assistance towards travel and accommodation costs when patients need to travel interstate for medical treatment.

### Red Kite

[www.redkite.org.au](http://www.redkite.org.au)  
02 9219 4000

Supports children and their families through cancer by providing emotional guidance, financial relief and educational services.

### St John's Care

St John's Church Parish Centre  
43–47 Constitution Avenue  
REID ACT 2612  
[www.stjohnscanberra.org](http://www.stjohnscanberra.org)  
02 6248 7771

Provides emergency food and material aid.

### The Salvation Army

4 Hawdon Place  
DICKSON ACT 2602  
[www.salvos.org.au](http://www.salvos.org.au)  
02 6247 3635

Provides emergency financial assistance, food, clothing and shelter.