

# Helping people afford the healthcare they need to live the lives they deserve

The PAN Foundation is a national patient assistance organization that helps underinsured people with life-threatening, chronic, and rare diseases pay for their out-of-pocket treatment costs, while advocating for more affordable care.



## Nobody should be forced to choose between food or medicine.

Yet that is the reality for millions of people with serious illnesses.



**50%**

of U.S. adults say they or a family member delayed or skipped medical care in the past year due to cost.

(Kaiser Family Foundation, 2019)



**4X**

Patients are four times more likely to abandon their prescriptions with a co-pay of \$50 or more.

(Annals of Internal Medicine, 2020)



**\$8,100**

The average amount people on Medicare with cancer, multiple sclerosis, and arthritis paid out-of-pocket for their medications in 2019.

(Kaiser Family Foundation)



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During my battle with cancer, PAN assisted with medication costs. Without PAN's assistance, my family would not only have to deal with the illness, but also the financial difficulties that come with my treatments.

**Keith Aleshire, Arkansas**  
Grant recipient

## Our patient-centric approach

The PAN Foundation offers a critical safety net for underinsured people with serious illnesses so that they can start on and stay on treatment. Most of the patients we serve are Medicare beneficiaries.

While providing financial assistance is the core of our work, we also provide robust education and support, and advocate for policy solutions to help the people who need it most.



### Assistance for nearly 70 diseases

Patients can apply for a 12-month grant in minutes, through funds spanning oncology, chronic and rare diseases, and critical services, like transportation.



### Advocacy for lower out-of-pocket costs

We advocate for improved access and affordability, and our website's advocacy action center helps people connect with elected officials so they can join us in asking for meaningful policy changes.



### Support navigating a serious illness

Our network of dedicated alliance partners offers patients disease-specific education, resources, and peer support.



### Comprehensive compliance

All our funds adhere to the principles established by the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

## Healthy impact

Our financial assistance increases the likelihood that patients will start and stay on their treatment and avoid costly and devastating health outcomes down the road.

- Increased medication adherence**  
 90% of our patients report taking their medication as prescribed after receiving financial assistance—a 40% increase from before receiving a grant.
- Bolstered economic security**  
 More than 85% of our patients say that receiving a grant helped them pay for other medical and non-medical bills.
- Improved well being**  
 And 9 out of 10 patients say PAN's financial assistance improved their quality of life.

But we also recognize that co-pay assistance is only part of the solution. It's why we're working to expand our support for economically vulnerable patients and address additional barriers—like transportation and nutrition—that inhibit a patient's ability to focus on managing their condition and improving their quality of life.



### FundFinder, an award-winning app

Developed by the PAN Foundation, FundFinder is the first, free web app that sends alerts when patient assistance is available. The app tracks more than 200 funds across nine foundations in one convenient place, providing patients, healthcare providers, and pharmacy professionals immediate access to real-time information in just a few clicks.



SINCE 2004...



We have helped nearly **1 million patients.**



We have provided nearly **\$4 billion** in financial assistance.



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When I was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease, each new prescription would eat through our savings until there was nothing left. Thanks to PAN, I can stay on my medication and afford other essentials, like groceries and gas.

**Lynn Estep, Indiana**  
Grant recipient

## About us

The PAN Foundation is an independent, national 501 (c)(3) organization dedicated to helping federally and commercially insured people living with life-threatening, chronic, and rare diseases with the out-of-pocket costs for their prescribed medications. Partnering with generous donors, healthcare providers, and pharmacies, we provide the underinsured population access to the healthcare treatments they need to best manage their conditions and focus on improving their quality of life.