



## At Work in Alabama

NMDP<sup>SM</sup> is a leader in cell therapy, helping to find cures and save lives for patients with blood cancers, disorders and beyond. We're expanding access so that every patient can receive their life-saving cell therapy. Here's what our work looks like in your state:

### 2023 State Impact



**929 searching patients**

from 2019-23



**280 transplants**

from 2019-23



**170 donors**

answered the call from 2019-23



**73,124 residents**

willing to donate

### Your support helps push the boundaries of what's possible.

From the moment a patient is diagnosed, we're there every step of the way. We create more opportunities for better outcomes. One way we do this is by providing patient assistance grants to help families cover out-of-pocket expenses related to transplant.

Since these grants became available, **93 patients in Alabama** have received financial assistance totaling **\$217,620 to help more patients** go through the transplant process. Of these patients, **38% were children.**

## NMDP Network Partners in Alabama

### TRANSPLANT CENTER

- University of Alabama at Birmingham

### COLLECTION CENTER

- University of Alabama at Birmingham



## 2023 National Impact

- Since 1987, NMDP has facilitated more than **125,000 transplants**. In 2023, NMDP **impacted 7,435 lives** through cell therapy.
- Today, patients have access to more than **41 million** potential donors worldwide.
- In 2023, NMDP provided **\$5.5 million** in patient assistance grants to more than **2,600 families**.

## World-Class Partner

With the help of blood cell and marrow donors from the world's most diverse registry and our extensive network of transplant partners, physicians and caregivers, we're expanding access to treatment so every patient can receive their life-saving cell therapy. We strive to deliver the best experiences and services as the essential partner in cell therapy and remove the barriers to equitable access at all our locations.

**4** Domestic Donor Centers

**59** Domestic Collection Centers

**73** Domestic Apheresis Centers

**156** Domestic Transplant Centers

**48** International Cooperative Registries

## NMDP is a global leader in cell therapy.

- **Entrusted by Congress for 35+ years:** Since the inception of the C.W. Bill Young Cell Transplantation Program (the national registry), Congress has authorized NMDP to oversee the program.
- **NMDP finds cures and saves lives.** NMDP manages the most diverse listing of potential donors in the world (the national registry).
- **We treat and cure over 75 diseases** through cell therapy.
- **Accelerating Progress:** Underscoring NMDP's commitment to expanding access to cell therapy, we recently published findings showing that using expanded matching criteria could result in a nearly three-fold increase in the likelihood of securing a suitable donor. This breakthrough dramatically increases the chances of finding a match on the national registry offering cell transplantation as a viable, life-saving therapy, regardless of ancestry.



**Vincenza**  
**Patient, Alabama**

In 2015, I was diagnosed with a rare blood cancer called myelofibrosis. I quickly learned that the only cure was receiving healthy cells from a donor. When none of my family members were a match, I turned to the national registry but struggled to find a donor.

Through my research, I learned that other patients like me were waiting to find a donor as well. That's when I decided to do something to help. After contacting NMDP, they connected me with my local community engagement representative. I'm so glad I took that step.

Since early 2016, I have been holding donor drives and giving talks to the medical community about the importance of the national registry. I became an Advocacy Volunteer in 2019, so I could educate my local elected officials about NMDP and the need for public policy change to save more lives.

Today, I'm doing well on my current treatment regimen and have been advised to continue waiting for an unrelated donor transplant. During this time, I have embraced the opportunity to advocate for patients like me. I also participate in several patient support groups where patients regularly ask me for advice about anything from finding a doctor to discussing symptoms and treatment.

**"This part of my journey has been so incredibly rewarding and fulfilling. I look forward to the day when all patients in need of a transplant receive the life-saving treatment they need and deserve."**