

At Work in South Carolina

NMDP[™] 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

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1,002 searching patients from 2019–23

361 transplants from 2019–23

221 donors answered the call from 2019-23

90,268 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, **89 patients in South Carolina** have received financial assistance totaling **\$185,050 to help more patients** go through the transplant process. Of these patients, **12% were children.**

NMDP Network Partners in South Carolina

APHERESIS CENTER

- Prisma Health Cancer Institute
- Medical University of South Carolina

COLLECTION CENTER

 Medical University of South Carolina

TRANSPLANT CENTER

- Prisma Health Cancer Institute
- Medical University of South Carolina
- St. Francis Cancer Center

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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.



Jody Caregiver and donor, South Carolina

In 2014, Jody noticed that his four-year-old daughter, AnnaLeigh, was bruising easily. A visit to the doctor revealed that her hemoglobin was extremely low.

After further testing, AnnaLeigh was diagnosed with aplastic anemia, a rare blood condition that occurs when your bone marrow cannot make enough new blood cells. Her only chance for a cure was a bone marrow transplant. When neither of Anna's parents was a suitable match, the family turned to the national registry. Sadly, AnnaLeigh had no matches there, either.

With no other viable options, AnnaLeigh's mother donated bone marrow to her – with only a 30% chance of being effective. Fortunately, the transplant was a success. Jody and AnnaLeigh moved to Charleston for her recovery. He also joined the registry to help other families find a matching donor.

"I wanted to pay it forward one day," he said. In the summer of 2019, Jody was given that chance when he donated his healthy cells to a patient in need.

"They asked me, 'Are you going to have any problems getting off work?" he said. "I told them, 'I will quit my job if I have to. I have got to do this."

Jody enjoyed the full support of his family, friends and employer and said it was a moment unlike any other. Today, AnnaLeigh is 14 years old and healthy. She only needs to go to the hematologist once a year. Watching her play volleyball and softball, you would never guess she had ever been seriously sick.

"We are very fortunate for AnnaLeigh's successful transplant. ... Many people aren't that lucky, which is why we need a robust registry and job protections for donors."