



At Work in South Dakota

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



146 searching patients

from 2019-23



54 transplants

from 2019-23



45 donors

answered the call from 2019-23



13,699 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, **21 patients in South Dakota** have received financial assistance totaling **\$38,750 to help more patients** go through the transplant process.

NMDP Network Partners in South Dakota

TRANSPLANT CENTER

- Avera McKennan Hospital & University Health Center

APHERESIS CENTER

- Avera McKennan Hospital & University Health Center



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.



Teresa
Recipient, South Dakota

Shortly after spending Christmas with her family in 2009, Teresa was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia (AML), a rapidly progressing cancer of the blood and bone marrow. Initially, she was responsive to chemotherapy and went into remission.

When Teresa relapsed in the spring of 2011, her four brothers and two sisters were tested to see if they were matching donors. When none of her six siblings matched, Teresa turned to the national registry.

"There was a perfect match found in Germany," she said. "I had a round of chemotherapy to put me into remission and then went to transplant two weeks after my son's wedding in June."

After her transplant, Teresa dealt with complications from graft-versus-host disease (GVHD). While she does continue to deal with GVHD issues from time to time, Teresa said she has a lot to be thankful for.

One of her favorite moments post-transplant was traveling to Germany to meet her donor in 2015. "It was a very meaningful day to be able to meet," she said. "He is my son's age, and I always compare his life to where my son is."

Teresa retired from her teaching career at South Dakota State University in 2020 and now spends her time advocating for NMDP to help save the lives of patients like her. Above all, Teresa said she is most grateful for having a second chance at life with her family.

"I have been very fortunate. My daughter got married the year after my son did, and now, I have four grandchildren who I have been able to enjoy."