

CLIC SARGENT: HOW WE HELP

When cancer strikes young lives, we help families limit the damage cancer causes beyond their health. From diagnosis, our expert care teams will step in, ready to support and guide. Here's how we help:

- Our care teams provide specialist support, tailored to families' needs, so that they always have someone to turn to when the doctor says cancer
- Our 10 Homes from Home are havens for patients and families during cancer treatment, so that they can stay together during the toughest times
- Our award-winning information provides expert advice and guidance on everything to do with life during and after treatment
- CLIC Sargent specialist nursing teams provide personal care and support at home (in some parts of the country), allowing families to avoid travel and stay together where possible
- We award grants and help families secure the benefits they are entitled to, to help them deal with the costs of cancer
- We fight for change to improve the lives of children and young people with cancer, by championing their voices to politicians across the UK and campaigning for policy change.

FURTHER GUIDANCE AND ADVICE

You can obtain a full copy of the *Eligibility Guidelines* and *Frequently Asked Questions* from the CLIC Sargent Social Care Team Leader or Service Manager at your main principal treatment centre.

If you have any questions, please contact your local CLIC Sargent team:

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CLIC SARGENT: WHO WE ARE

When cancer strikes young lives, CLIC Sargent limits the damage it causes beyond their health.

CLIC Sargent is the UK's leading cancer charity for children, young people and their families. We fight tirelessly for children and young people with cancer, often when they feel they can't. We do this individually, locally and nationally, so that they can focus on the important things.

CLIC SARGENT: WHO WE SUPPORT

CLIC Sargent works with the NHS to support children and young people who are diagnosed with a cancer or bone marrow failure disorder.

Eligibility criteria

1. Children and young people are eligible for a grant and services if they are diagnosed with a cancer or bone marrow failure disorder before their 25th birthday.
2. The child or young person must be eligible for free NHS cancer treatment within the UK, including members of (or child of) HMS Armed Forces and diplomatic core/embassies.
3. The child, young person, immediate family or legal guardian have been given a confirmed cancer or bone marrow failure disorder diagnosis by an NHS service in the last 12 months.

It doesn't matter whether a child or young person is under the care of a paediatric, teenage or young adult service – the eligibility criteria is the same.

Ineligible

1. Patients who have completed curative treatment for more than a period of 12 months.
2. Patients who relapse or have a new cancer diagnosis after their 25th birthday.
3. Patients who have a confirmed low grade brain tumours or benign extracranial tumours.*

4. Children or young people diagnosed with a condition which pre-disposes them to a cancer diagnosis. Such patients become eligible at the point of confirmed cancer diagnosis.
5. High level of social need in a child or young person who does not have a confirmed cancer or bone marrow failure disorder diagnosis.
6. Children and young people who are awaiting confirmation of diagnosis. They become eligible when the child, young person, family or legal guardian has been given the confirmed diagnosis.
7. Children and young people who are receiving chemotherapy, radiotherapy, immunotherapy or stem cell transplant for conditions other than a confirmed cancer or bone marrow failure disorder, or for benign or low grade tumours.*
8. Children and young people under surveillance for potential cancer or bone marrow disorders, even if they have had a prior eligible diagnosis. They become eligible again if surveillance reveals relapse or a new eligible condition.
9. Patients who have been diagnosed outside the UK and travel from their country of origin to the UK and are not eligible for free NHS treatment.
10. International private patients who are funded by their government/embassy/employer(s) or themselves.
11. Families who choose not to take up the CLIC Sargent services offer and have not signed consent.

What has changed in the 2017 update

There is no change to the criteria. The update is in how social care teams will establish the medical diagnosis criteria. They will no longer need to establish cancer registration codes as this proved problematic. The revised approach to establishing what the family have been told offers opportunities for improved practice and clarity around diagnosis. This will reduce the risk of picking up families who were not aware of the cancer or bone marrow failure disorder diagnosis.

* Please speak to your local CLIC Sargent team about aggressive, complex, atypical or unusual benign / low grade tumours, eg visual pathway astrocytoma, aggressive neurofibromatosis."