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## Patient Funding Guidelines

**Purpose:** Donate Life SC is a charitable provider of temporary financial assistance to organ and tissue transplant recipients of South Carolina. The fund is designed to help pay for medical and other related expenses that are of an emergency or non-insured nature. There is a limited amount of financial assistance that will be provided per person per year. Since funds are distributed from charitable donations, assistance will be provided as funds are available. Specific eligibility criteria apply.

This is not an entitlement program. Once an application is received, an evaluation process determines whether assistance will or will not be provided.

**Eligibility:** applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

- Must be a citizen and resident of the state of South Carolina.
- Must be post organ/tissue transplant, on the **active** waiting list for a transplant, or in the **approved** transplant evaluation process.
- Must have a medical or related need for financial assistance which is of an emergency or non-insured nature.
- Must complete the Donate Life SC's Patient Assistance application form.
- The applicant must have a total household income of less than \$30,000 for a family of four. Extenuating circumstances should be listed; i.e., number of family members, costs of care, etc.
- The application for assistance is completed with and submitted by the transplant social worker/financial coordinator.
- Other documentation is to be submitted if requested by Donate Life South Carolina.
- The application must include proof of household income. This may include tax statements, pay stubs, Social Security statements and other documents.

**Funding Protocol:** Any distribution of funds will be made directly to a service provider, such as but not limited to, such entities as a pharmacy, landlord, or utility company. A copy of the bill or formal cost estimate must be submitted with the application. Payments are made for specific quantities.

**Application Submission:** Completed applications should be faxed to Adriane Gonick, Office Program Manager at (864) 609-5387 or mailed to the Donate Life SC, 4200 E. North Street, 22 Centre East, Greenville, SC 29615.

These guidelines are subject to change without notice and can be amended by the Donate Life SC Board of Directors. Incomplete applications will not be processed. The Donate Life SC reserves the right to deny applications. Funds will be distributed on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard for age, gender, race, religion or ethnicity.



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## Patient Assistance Application

Patient's Name Last First Middle

Address

City State Zip County

Date of Birth Social Security Number

Telephone Marital Status

Spouse's Name(or Parent or Guardian) Number of Dependents and Ages of Each

Most Recent Employer

Address

Most Recent Date of Employment Telephone #

**Insurance:** Does the patient have: Medicare ? Yes No  
Medicaid ? Yes No  
Insurance? Yes No If yes provide the following:

Insurance Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Policy Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Employer's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly Take-Home Pay \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Disability Insurance \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse's Take-Home Pay \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Other Household Members' Pay \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Security \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Retirement	\$ _____
Medicaid or SSI	\$ _____
Other Government Benefits	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME</b>	\$ _____

**Patient's Name:**

(Please print or type)

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**ASSETS:**

Checking Accounts:	\$ _____	
Bank Accounts:	\$ _____	(Itemize separately)
Savings Accounts:	\$ _____	
Home Assessed Value:	\$ _____	
Stocks and Bonds	\$ _____	(Itemize separately)
Auto Make: _____ Model: _____	\$ _____	(List all vehicles)
Other Real Estate:	\$ _____	

**LIABILITIES:**

Loan Institutions and Debts	\$ _____
(Attach documentation).	\$ _____

**Monthly Medical Expense: Doctors' Fees** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital Fees	\$ _____	
Medications	\$ _____	(Itemize separately)
Family Medications	\$ _____	
Food	\$ _____	
Rent or Mortgage	\$ _____	
Telephone	\$ _____	
Electricity	\$ _____	
Water/Sewer	\$ _____	
Heating	\$ _____	
Taxes	\$ _____	
Transportation	\$ _____	
Auto Payments	\$ _____	
Gasoline	\$ _____	

**Insurance:**

Medical Insurance	\$ _____
Auto Insurance	\$ _____
Life Insurance	\$ _____

**Charge Accounts/ Credit Cards:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Loan Payments:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Other:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Monthly Expenses:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Specific Item(s) Needed:** Please provide third party payment information (business name, mailing address, and telephone number).

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(If this is a medication, please provide name, dose, and frequency.)

**Estimated Cost:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of transplant hospital where patient is listed or being evaluated :**

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**Patient's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Please print or type)**

The applicant agrees that any financial assistance granted to pay for immunosuppressant medications will be paid directly to the pharmacy. Please have your pharmacy contact us directly. If satisfactory arrangements cannot be made, other arrangements will be made by Donate Life South Carolina.

In submitting this application, the patient, parent or guardian guarantees its accuracy and truth and can be relied upon in considering assistance to the applicant whose signature is listed below. Any misrepresentation will constitute fraud and make the applicant ineligible for assistance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature (Applicant, parent, or guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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**Release Form:**

*Please read carefully before signing*

The undersigned authorizes any physician or other provider of health services or financial institution to release to the Donate Life South Carolina (DLSC) and its agents, upon request, any information including medical records, financial records, bank statements, real estate holding, tax records of any individual, parents, spouse or guardian whenever such information is considered necessary for the processing of the financial assistance in fulfilling obligations imposed by the Trust Fund by state or federal statutes

I fully understand and agree (1) that the Donate Life South Carolina (DLSC) has the right to accept or reject the request for financial aid as applied for in this application, (2) the DLSC will determine the effective date of such financial aid, (3) that no assistance will be provided until all forms and tax returns are received by the DLSC, (4) if assistance is approved it will depend upon available funds of the DLSC and (5) will be provided as funds become available by donations of the citizens of South Carolina.

It is further understood and agreed that the Donate Life South Carolina (DLSC) may deny assistance or discontinue any coverage if it is determined that any information was misrepresented on the application form.

The undersigned hereby represents that the information on this application and any other information furnished by the undersigned is complete, true and correctly recorded.

I have read and understood each and every part of this application for financial assistance from Donate Life South Carolina.

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Social Worker's OR Transplant Coordinator's Statement**

**Patient's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Please print or type)**

Is the patient receiving assistance from any pharmaceutical company?    Yes     No

Please provide names, addresses, and telephone numbers of companies and amounts of support:

Name	Address	Telephone Number	Fax Number

Please provide your comments, recommendations, and any history regarding this patient's need for financial assistance. Point out any extenuating circumstances and costs associated with this patient's treatment, such as transportation, away-from-home living expenses, home medical supplies, and costs of medicines, etc. (Use additional page if necessary.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Specifically identify the request that is being made and the amount requested**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Diagnosis:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Has this patient received a transplanted organ?    Yes        No   

If yes, when was the patient transplanted?    Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Is the patient compliant with medication regimen?    Yes        No   

**Social Worker OR Transplant Coordinator Statement (cont'd)**  
**Patient's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Please print or type)**

Are there any extenuating circumstances we should consider in granting financial assistance?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

In your opinion, is financial assistance required? Yes  No

Any comments?

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Social Worker's or Transplant Coordinator's Name:

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Signature:

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Physician's Name:

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Facility Name and Address :

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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*Patient Feedback Form*

We are interested in receiving feedback so we can report first-hand the impact of our organization in the lives of patients who have benefited from our services. Feedback can be anonymous.

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(use back of sheet if more space is needed)

Tell us about yourself (optional)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_

**My signature indicates I give permission to use the information for promotional purposes. Can use:**

**comments only or**       **comments and my name**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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