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ADOLESCENT CANCER PATIENT & SURVIVOR RESOURCES

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Camps

The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp

Located in Ashford, CT, The Hole in the Wall offers opportunities for fun and friendship with a summer camp and year round programming for campers up to 15 years of age. The Hero's Journey and Champion's Journey Program offers a 7-day experience for campers 16-18 years old.

www.holeinthewallgang.org

Camp Rising Sun

Camp Rising Sun provides a one-week summer camp experience to any child/teen who has ever faced a diagnosis of cancer, as well as their siblings. Campers can be in treatment, in remission, or anywhere in between. Located in Colebrook, Connecticut, they serve campers 5-17 years old.

www.camprisingsun.com

Camp Mak-A-Dream

Provides a Montana camp experience for teens and young adults.

www.campdream.org

Camp Sunshine

Located in Casco Maine, Camp Sunshine's mission is to foster fun and community for the entire family. They offer both summer and year round programming.

www.campsunshine.org

Next Step

Offers opportunities for connection, mentoring and summer "campferences" for teens and young adults (13-29).

www.nextstepnet.org



Scan the QR code or visit www.connecticutchildrens.org/aya

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Fun Opportunities

Make a Wish

Wish granting organization that provides an amazing wish experience for patients through age 17.

www.ct.wish.org

Catch a Dream

Offers fishing and hunting experiences to patients 18 and younger and their families.

www.catchadream.org

Do it for the Love

Provides concert tickets to those who need the healing power of music.

www.doitfortheLove.org

Flashes of Hope

A national organization that partners with Connecticut Children's to provide free photo sessions for our patients. For more information, ask your social worker.

Team IMPACT

Team IMPACT matches teens up to age 16 with college sports teams, creating a long-term, life-changing experiences.

www.teamimpact.org

Tommy's Place

Tommy's Place offers one week stays to children/teens receiving cancer treatment and their families in their magical vacation homes on Cape Cod.

www.tommysplace.org

CoachArt

CoachArt matches kids and teens with volunteers who can teach them arts or athletics skills.

<https://coachart.org>



Scholarships

There are many scholarship opportunities available for current cancer patients and survivors. An internet search will provide many options. Ask about our scholarship list as well.



Resources

Circle of Care

Based in Connecticut, Circle of Care offers programming and resources for teens and young adults.

www.thecircleofcare.org

Elephants and Tea

Helps adolescent and young adult patients, survivors and caregivers know they are not alone in their fight with cancer by providing information and opportunities for connection.

www.elephantsandtea.com

National Grace Foundation

The National GRACE Foundation provides free college admission and financial aid assistance to cancer patients and their families.

www.graceamerica.org

Reid R. Sacco AYA Cancer Alliance

Founded in 2005, the Alliance has evolved into a renowned leader in drawing attention to, and finding solutions for, a broad spectrum of gaps and unique challenges faced by AYAs diagnosed with cancer.

www.ayacanceralliance.org

Stupid Cancer

Empowers and connects adolescent patients and survivors and offers a great resource guide.

www.stupidcancer.org

Teen Cancer America

Teen Cancer America works as a change agent improving the lives of young people with cancer supporting hospital programs across the country.

www.teencanceramerica.org

Together Teens & 20's

Focuses on all aspects of the AYA cancer experience with helpful information and videos.

www.together.stjude.org/en-us/teensand20s