

Disability Rights Legal Center

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Cancer Legal Resource Center

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State Appendices: District of Columbia Resources

This appendix provides state-specific resources relevant to each chapter of *The HCP Manual: A Legal Resource Guide for Oncology Healthcare Professionals*.

EMPLOYMENT

<p>For questions about the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): Equal Employment Opportunity Commission 131 M Street, N.E., Fourth Floor, Suite 4NW02F Washington, DC 20507 (800) 669-4000 or (800) 669-6820 (TTY) www.eeoc.gov</p>	<p>For questions about job accommodations: Job Accommodation Network (JAN) P.O. Box 6080 Morgantown, WV 26506-6080 (800) 526-7234 or (800) ADA-WORK www.jan.wvu.edu</p>
<p>For questions about §503 of the Rehabilitation Act (federal contractors): U.S. Dept. of Labor Office of Federal Compliance Program Frances Perkins Building, Room C-3325 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20210 (800) 397-6251 or www.dol.gov/ofccp</p>	<p>For questions about §504 the Rehabilitation Act (federal financial assistance): U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division - Disability Rights Section 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20530 (800) 514-0301 or (800) 614-0383 (TTY)</p>
<p>For questions about District of Columbia fair employment laws: District of Columbia Office of Human Rights 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 570 North Washington, D.C. 20001 (202) 727-4559 ohr.dc.gov</p>	<p>For questions about the practical aspects of being an employee with cancer: Cancer and Careers (212) 685-5955 www.cancerandcareers.org</p>

TAKING TIME OFF WORK

<p>For questions about the Family & Medical Leave Act (FMLA): U.S. Department of Labor - Employment Standards Administration - Wage & Hour Division Room 207 Appraisers Stores Building 103 South Gay Street, Room 207 Baltimore, MD 21202-4061 (410) 962-6211 or (866) 487-9243 www.dol.gov/whd/fmla</p>	<p>For questions or concerns about the confidentiality of medical information: Office for Civil Rights U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 509F, HHH Building Washington, D.C. 20201 (866) 368-1019</p>
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For questions about District of Columbia leave laws:

District of Columbia Office of Human Rights
 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 570 North
 Washington, D.C. 20001
 (202) 727-4559
ohr.dc.gov

DISABILITY INSURANCE**For private disability insurance questions:**

District of Columbia Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking
 810 1st Street, N.E., Suite 701
 Washington, D.C. 20002
 D.C. Alliance Healthcare Program
 (202) 727-8000 or Disb.dc.gov

For Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) questions:

Social Security Administration
 (800) 772-1213 or www.ssa.gov

HEALTH INSURANCE & HEALTH CARE OPTIONS**For insurance questions:**

District of Columbia Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking
 810 1st Street, N.E., Suite 701
 Washington, D.C. 20002
 D.C. Alliance Healthcare Program
 (202) 727-8000 or Disb.dc.gov

For COBRA questions:

U.S. Department of Labor
 Employee Benefits Security Administration
 1335 East-West Hwy, Ste 200
 Silver Spring, MD 20910
 (202) 693-8700 (866) 275-7922
www.dol.gov/ebsa

For HIPAA questions:

D.C. Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking
 (202) 727-8000
www.disr.washingtondc.gov/disr/cwp/view,a,1299,q,638641,disrNav,%7C32810%7C,.asp

In the District of Columbia, the insurance companies that offer HIPAA policies are not capped on the rates they charge. These companies are:

- Aetna US Healthcare at www.aetna.com
- Assurant Health Plan at www.assuranthealth.com/corp/ah/ahhomepage
- Care First BC/BS at www.carefirst.com/main/html/HomePage.html
- Celtic Insurance at www.celtic-net.com
- Employers Reinsurance Corp/Name Changed to General Electric insurance (HMO) at www.ge.com/myhealth/healthchoice/index.html
- Fortis Insurance Company/Assurance Life at www.assuranthealth.com/corp/ah/ahhomepage
- John Alden Life, Ins. Co. at www.assuranthealth.com/corp/ah/HealthPlans/health-plans.htm

- Kaiser Permanente at www.kaiserpermanente.org
- MD– IPA at www.opm.gov/insure/health/planinfo/safety/JP.asp
- MAMSI Life & Health at www.mamsiunitedhealthcare.com/w/index.jsp
- National Health Insurance at www.nhic.com
- National Safety Life
- Optimum Choice, Inc. at www.uhc.com/individuals_families/health_insurance_plans.htm
- Pharmacists Mutual at www.phmic.com/phmc/ibs/pages/Products.aspx?state=dc&cat=Health
- United HealthCare of the Mid-Atlan. at www.mamsiunitedhealthcare.com/w/d/v/individans.jsp
- State Farm Insurance Company at www.statefarm.com/insurance/health/healthprod.asp

For assistance with Medicare:

Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
 (800) 663-4227
www.medicare.gov

Washington Health Insurance Counseling Project
 2136 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
 Washington, DC 20052
 (202) 676-3900 or (202) 739-0668

<p>For assistance with Medicaid: Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) (800) 633-4227 www.cms.gov</p>	<p>District of Columbia Office on Aging 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 900S Washington, D.C. 20001 (202) 724-5622 or dcoa.dc.gov</p>
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HEALTH CARE REFORM

<p>For information about the ACA: www.HealthCare.gov</p>	<p>For more information on the federal Pre-Existing Condition Plan options available in each state: www.PCIP.gov</p>
<p>Kaiser Family Foundation Video, “Healthcare Reform Hits Main Street:” http://healthreform.kff.org/the-animation.aspx</p>	

GENETICS AND CANCER

<p>For information about GINA and the ADA with respect to employment discrimination: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission 131 M Street, N.E., Fourth Floor, Suite 4NW02F Washington, DC 20507 (800) 669-4000 or (800) 669-6820 (TTY) www.eeoc.gov</p>	<p>For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in employment: District of Columbia Office of Human Rights 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 570 North Washington, D.C. 20001 (202) 727-4559 ohr.dc.gov</p>
<p>For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in insurance: District of Columbia Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking 810 1st Street, N.E., Suite 701 Washington, D.C. 20002 D.C. Alliance Healthcare Program (202) 727-8000 or Disb.dc.gov</p>	<p>For information about GINA and HIPAA with respect to health insurance: District of Columbia Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking 810 1st Street, N.E., Suite 701 Washington, D.C. 20002 D.C. Alliance Healthcare Program (202) 727-8000 or Disb.dc.gov</p>

MANAGING THE FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF CANCER TREATMENT

<p>For information about Hill-Burton facilities: Hill-Burton (800) 638-0742 www.hrsa.gov/hillburton/default.htm</p>	<p>To file a complaint with your health plan or request an independent medical review: District of Columbia Department of Insurance, Securities and Banking 810 1st Street, N.E., Suite 701 Washington, D.C. 20002 D.C. Alliance Healthcare Program (202) 727-8000 or Disb.dc.gov</p>
<p>To report a debt collector or file a consumer complaint: Federal Trade Commission (877) FTC- HELP www.ftc.gov</p>	<p>District of Columbia Office of Attorney General 441 4th Street, NW Washington, DC 20001 (202) 727-3400 oag.dc.gov/DC/OAG</p>
<p>For credit counseling information: Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS) (800) 873-CCCS or www.cccsintl.org</p>	<p>For assistance with tax preparation and counseling: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (800) 285-2221 or www.abanet.org/lsd/vita</p>

For possible legal assistance with bankruptcy: American Bar Association (800) 285-2221 www.abanet.org/legalservices/Iris/directory	
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ESTATE PLANNING

For estate planning assistance: American Bar Association Estate Planning FAQ www.abanet.org/rpte/public/home.html	To download a state specific AHCD: National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization Caring Connections (800) 658-8898 www.caringinfo.org/stateadownload
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LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

To find out who your U.S. Representatives are: www.house.gov Capitol Switchboard (202) 224-3121	To find out who your U.S. Senators are: www.senate.gov Capitol Switchboard (202) 224-3121
To find information about a specific federal bill: Office of Legislative Information on Capitol Hill (202) 225-7400 or thomas.loc.org	To find information about your elected officials: Vote Smart www.votesmart.org League of Women Voters www.lwv.org
To obtain a voter registration form: www.fec.gov/votregis/vr.shtml	For absentee voting information: www.votesmart.org/voter_registration_resources.php
To participate in Susan G. Komen for the Cure® Advocacy Alliance efforts: www.KomenAdvocacy.org	To participate in American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network advocacy efforts: www.ACSCAN.org
To participate in Lance Armstrong Foundation advocacy efforts: www.livestrong.org	To participate in Cancer Legal Resource Center advocacy efforts: (213) 736-1455 or 1-866-THE-CLRC www.disabilityrightslegalcenter.org/about/LegislativeAdvocacy.cfm
For information on the Help America Vote Act (HAVA): www.fec.gov/hava/hava.htm	

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