

Disability Rights Legal Center



Cancer Legal Resource Center

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State Appendices: Illinois 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 500 West Madison Street, Suite 2000 Chicago, Illinois 60661 (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/esa/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 Illinois fair employment laws: Illinois Department of Human Rights 100 W Randolph St. Suite 10-100 Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-6200 or (800) 662-3942 www.state.il.us/dhr</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 230 S. Dearborn Street, Room 412 Chicago, IL 60604-1591 (312) 596-7230 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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<p>For questions about Illinois leave laws: Illinois Department of Employment Security (800) 244-5631 or www.ides.state.il.us</p>	
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DISABILITY INSURANCE

<p>For private disability insurance questions: Illinois Department of Insurance 320 West Washington Street, 4th Floor Springfield, IL 62727 (877) 527-9431 or (217) 524-4872 (TDD) insurance.illinois.gov</p>	<p>For Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) questions: Social Security Administration (800) 772-1213 or www.ssa.gov</p>
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HEALTH INSURANCE & HEALTH CARE OPTIONS

<p>For insurance questions: Illinois Department of Insurance 320 West Washington Street, 4th Floor Springfield, IL 62727 (877) 527-9431 or (217) 524-4872 (TDD) insurance.illinois.gov</p>	<p>For COBRA questions: U.S. Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration 200 West Adams St, Ste 1600 Chicago, IL 60606 (312) 353-0900 or (866) 444-3272 www.dol.gov/ebsa</p>
<p>For Illinois Health Insurance Continuation Rights Law (Illinois COBRA): Illinois Department of Insurance Office of Consumer Health Insurance 320 W. Washington Street Springfield, IL 62767 – 0001 (312) 814-2427 or (877) 527-9431 insurance.illinois.gov</p>	<p>For HIPAA questions: Illinois Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan (800) 962-8384 or (217) 782-6333 www.chip.state.il.us</p> <p>Illinois offers individuals who are HIPAA eligible the right to buy coverage from the Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan (CHIP). CHIP offers eight plans, each with a different deductible and premiums.</p>
<p>For high risk insurance questions: Illinois Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan (217) 782-6333 or www.chip.state.il.us</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifetime Cap: \$5,000,000 • Waiting Period as of 11/2010: none • Average Monthly Cost: Varies by age, geographic location, plan, gender, and smoking status • Multiple Plans: Yes 	<p>Federal Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan (PCIP) Illinois Depts. of Insurance and Public Health (877) 210-9167 www.insurance.illinois.gov/IPXP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lifetime Cap: none • Average Monthly Cost: \$111-\$526
<p>For assistance with Medicare: Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) (800) 663-4227 or www.medicare.gov</p>	<p>Illinois State Health Insurance Assistance Program 320 West Washington Street Springfield, IL 62727-0001 (800) 548-9034 or (217) 524-4872 (TDD) www.idfpr.com/doi/ship/SHIPBrochure2005.pdf</p>
<p>For assistance with Medicaid: Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) (800) 633-4227 or www.cms.gov</p>	<p>Illinois Dept. of Healthcare and Family Services 201 South Grand Avenue East Springfield, IL 62763-0001 (217) 782-1200 or (800) 526-5812 (TTY) www.hfs.illinois.gov</p>

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

GENETICS AND CANCER

For information about GINA and the ADA with respect to employment discrimination: Equal Employment Opportunity Commission 500 West Madison Street, Suite 2000 Chicago, Illinois 60661 (800) 669-4000 or (800) 669-6820 (TTY) www.eeoc.gov	For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in employment: Illinois Department of Human Rights 100 W Randolph St. Suite 10-100 Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-6200 or (800) 662-3942 www.state.il.us/dhr
For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in insurance: Illinois Department of Insurance 320 West Washington Street, 4th Floor Springfield, IL 62727 (877) 527-9431 or (217) 524-4872 (TDD) insurance.illinois.gov	For information about GINA and HIPAA with respect to health insurance: Illinois Department of Insurance 320 West Washington Street, 4th Floor Springfield, IL 62727 (877) 527-9431 or (217) 524-4872 (TDD) insurance.illinois.gov

MANAGING THE FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF CANCER TREATMENT

For information about Hill-Burton facilities: Hill-Burton (800) 638-0742 www.hrsa.gov/hillburton/default.htm	To file a complaint with your health plan or request an independent medical review: Illinois Department of Insurance 320 West Washington Street, 4th Floor Springfield, IL 62727 (877) 527-9431 or (217) 524-4872 (TDD) insurance.illinois.gov/Complaints/hard_copy_LAH_HMO_complaint.pdf
To report a debt collector or file a consumer complaint: Federal Trade Commission (877) FTC- HELP www.ftc.gov	Illinois Attorney General's Office 100 West Randolph Street Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-3000 or (800) 964-3013 (TTY) www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumers/index.html
For credit counseling information: Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS) (800) 873-CCCS or www.ccsintl.org	For assistance with tax preparation and counseling: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (800) 285-2221 or www.abanet.org/lcd/vita
For possible legal assistance with bankruptcy: American Bar Association (800) 285-2221 www.abanet.org/legalservices/lris/directory	

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ESTATE PLANNING

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

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

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