

## Disability Rights Legal Center



## Cancer Legal Resource Center

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## State Appendices: Maine 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><b>For questions about the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):</b> Equal Employment Opportunity Commission John F. Kennedy Federal Building 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 475 Boston, MA 02203 (617) 565-3200 or (800) 669-4000 <a href="http://www.eeoc.gov">www.eeoc.gov</a></p>	<p><b>For questions about job accommodations:</b> Job Accommodation Network (JAN) P.O. Box 6080 Morgantown, WV 26506-6080 (800) 526-7234 or (800) ADA-WORK <a href="http://www.jan.wvu.edu">www.jan.wvu.edu</a></p>
<p><b>For questions about §503 of the Rehabilitation Act (federal contractors):</b> 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 <a href="http://www.dol.gov/ofccp">www.dol.gov/ofccp</a></p>	<p><b>For questions about §504 the Rehabilitation Act (federal financial assistance):</b> 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><b>For questions about Maine fair employment laws:</b> Maine Human Rights Commission 51 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0051 (207) 624-6050 <a href="http://www.state.me.us/mhrc/index.shtml">www.state.me.us/mhrc/index.shtml</a></p>	<p><b>For questions about the practical aspects of being an employee with cancer:</b> Cancer and Careers (212) 685-5955 <a href="http://www.cancerandcareers.org">www.cancerandcareers.org</a></p>

### TAKING TIME OFF WORK

<p><b>For questions about the Family &amp; Medical Leave Act (FMLA):</b> U.S. Department of Labor - Employment Standards Administration - Wage &amp; Hour Division 54 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 623-7900 or <a href="http://www.dol.gov/whd/fmla">www.dol.gov/whd/fmla</a></p>	<p><b>For questions or concerns about the confidentiality of medical information:</b> 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><b>For questions about Maine leave laws:</b>  Maine Human Rights Commission  51 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0051  (207) 624-6050  <a href="http://www.state.me.us/mhrc/index.shtml">www.state.me.us/mhrc/index.shtml</a></p>	<p>Maine Department of Labor  54 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333  (201) 623-7900 or (800) 794-1110 (TTY)  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/labor">www.maine.gov/labor</a></p>
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## DISABILITY INSURANCE

<p><b>For private disability insurance questions:</b>  Maine Bureau of Insurance  34 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0034  (800) 300-5000 or (207) 624-8475  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance">www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance</a></p>	<p><b>For Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) questions:</b>  Social Security Administration  (800) 772-1213 or <a href="http://www.ssa.gov">www.ssa.gov</a></p>
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## HEALTH INSURANCE & HEALTH CARE OPTIONS

<p><b>For insurance questions:</b>  Maine Bureau of Insurance  34 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0034  (800) 300-5000 or (207) 624-8475  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance">www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance</a></p>	<p><b>For COBRA questions:</b>  U.S. Department of Labor  Employee Benefits Security Administration  J.F.K. Building, Room 575  Boston, MA 02203  (617) 565-9600 or (866) 275-7922  <a href="http://www.dol.gov/ebsa">www.dol.gov/ebsa</a></p>
<p><b>For HIPAA questions:</b>  Maine Bureau of Insurance  (800) 300-5000 or (207) 624-8475  <a href="http://www.state.me.us/pfr/ins/ins_index.htm">www.state.me.us/pfr/ins/ins_index.htm</a></p> <p>If you are HIPAA eligible, you are guaranteed the same right to purchase individual health insurance as other individuals. In Maine, where state law is more protective, you do not need to meet all of the requirements of HIPAA eligibility to have this protection. The Maine Bureau of Insurance identified the following companies as providing health insurance coverage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aetna Inc., at <a href="http://www.aetna.com">www.aetna.com</a></li> <li>• Anthem at <a href="http://www.anthem.com/health-insurance/plans-and-benefits/health-insurance-plan/ME">www.anthem.com/health-insurance/plans-and-benefits/health-insurance-plan/ME</a></li> <li>• Harvard Pilgrim at <a href="http://www.harvardpilgrim.org">www.harvardpilgrim.org</a></li> <li>• MEGA at <a href="http://www.megainsurance.com">www.megainsurance.com</a></li> </ul>	<p><b>For high risk insurance questions:</b>  Federal Pre-Existing Condition Insurance Plan (PCIP)  Dirigo Health Agency  (877) 892-8391  <a href="http://www.dirigohealth.maine.gov">www.dirigohealth.maine.gov</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lifetime Cap: none</li> <li>• Average Monthly Cost: \$438 to \$658</li> </ul>
<p><b>For assistance with Medicare:</b>  Center for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)  (800) 663-4227  <a href="http://www.medicare.gov">www.medicare.gov</a></p>	<p>State Health Insurance Assistance Program  Department of Health and Human Services  11 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333  (800) 262-2232  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oes/hiap/purpose.htm">www.maine.gov/dhhs/oes/hiap/purpose.htm</a></p>

<p><b>For assistance with Medicaid:</b>  Center for Medicare &amp; Medicaid Services (CMS)  (800) 633-4227  <a href="http://www.cms.gov">www.cms.gov</a></p>	<p>Office of MaineCare Services  Department of Health and Human Services  11 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333  (800) 262-2232 or <a href="http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms">www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms</a></p>
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## HEALTH CARE REFORM

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

<p><b>For information about GINA and the ADA with respect to employment discrimination:</b>  Equal Employment Opportunity Commission  John F. Kennedy Federal Building  4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Room 475  Boston, MA 02203  (617) 565-3200 or (800) 669-4000  <a href="http://www.eeoc.gov">www.eeoc.gov</a></p>	<p><b>For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in employment:</b>  Maine Human Rights Commission  51 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0051  (207) 624-6050  <a href="http://www.state.me.us/mhrc/index.shtml">www.state.me.us/mhrc/index.shtml</a></p>
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<p><b>For information about state laws that protect against genetic discrimination in insurance:</b>  Maine Bureau of Insurance  34 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0034  (800) 300-5000 or (207) 624-8475  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance">www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance</a></p>	<p><b>For information about GINA and HIPAA with respect to health insurance:</b>  Maine Bureau of Insurance  34 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0034  (800) 300-5000 or (207) 624-8475  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance">www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance</a></p>
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## MANAGING THE FINANCIAL ASPECTS OF CANCER TREATMENT

<p><b>For information about Hill-Burton facilities:</b>  Hill-Burton  (800) 638-0742  <a href="http://www.hrsa.gov/hillburton/default.htm">www.hrsa.gov/hillburton/default.htm</a></p>	<p><b>To file a complaint with your health plan or request an independent medical review:</b>  Maine Bureau of Insurance  34 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0034  (800) 300-5000 or (207) 624-8475  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance">www.maine.gov/pfr/insurance</a></p>
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<p><b>To report a debt collector or file a consumer complaint:</b>  Federal Trade Commission  (877) FTC- HELP  <a href="http://www.ftc.gov">www.ftc.gov</a></p>	<p>Attorney General Consumer Protection Division  6 State House Station  Augusta, ME 04333-0035  (207) 626-8800  <a href="http://www.maine.gov/ag/consumer/index.shtml">www.maine.gov/ag/consumer/index.shtml</a></p>
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<p><b>For credit counseling information:</b>  Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS)  (800) 873-CCCS or <a href="http://www.cccsintl.org">www.cccsintl.org</a></p>	<p><b>For assistance with tax preparation and counseling:</b>  Volunteer Income Tax Assistance  (800) 285-2221 or <a href="http://www.abanet.org/lsd/vita">www.abanet.org/lsd/vita</a></p>
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<b>For possible legal assistance with bankruptcy:</b> American Bar Association (800) 285-2221 <a href="http://www.abanet.org/legalservices/Iris/directory">www.abanet.org/legalservices/Iris/directory</a>	
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## ESTATE PLANNING

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

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

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