

Hereditary Cancer Pathfinder

A Guide to Finding Library Resources and Support Services

BC Cancer Library and Cancer Information Centre Resources

Visit your local BC Cancer Library or go to <u>bccancer.bc.ca/library</u> to see the complete library catalogue. Most library materials can be mailed anywhere in B.C. or the Yukon.

Books

Title Library Call Number

Cancer in the family QZ210 R826 2016

Confronting hereditary breast and ovarian cancer WP870 F911 2012

Positive results WP870 M875 2010

Previvors: facing the breast cancer gene WP870 P839 2010

Pamphlets

Does cancer run in my family? (BC Cancer)

<u>bccancer.bc.ca/coping-and-support-site/Documents/Hereditary%20Cancer%20Program/HCP_BrochurePromo-DoesCancerRunInMyFamilyBrochureEnglish.pdf</u>

Recommended Websites

These websites have been reviewed and approved by the BC Cancer librarians. These websites have information about hereditary cancer. For a complete list of websites recommended by the BC Cancer librarians, go to bccancer.bc.ca/library.

BC Cancer Hereditary Cancer Program: bccancer.bc.ca/our-services/services/hereditary-cancer

This website provides information about the hereditary cancer program in BC, including what hereditary cancer is, facts and myths about hereditary cancer, and how referrals to the program can be made.

American Cancer Society: cancer-causes/genetics.html

Canadian Cancer Society: <u>cancer.ca/en/cancer-information/cancer-101/what-is-cancer/genes-and-cancer/?region=bc</u>

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Cancer.Net: cancer.net/navigating-cancer-care/cancer-basics/genetics

FORCE: Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered: facingourrisk.org

Information and support for people at risk or facing a diagnosis of breast or ovarian cancer. There are support forums, webinars and a toll-free helpline available.

Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Society: https://doi.org/10.2016/j.com/

Information about hereditary breast and ovarian cancer syndrome and cancer symptoms and detection. Includes links to other websites, clinics and research facilities, social media, online tools.

Familial Gastrointestinal Cancer Registry: zanecohencentre.com/fgicr

Information about programs dedicated to the specialty care of families affected with rare forms of inherited colorectal cancer.

Lynch Syndrome International: <u>lynchcancers.com</u>

This website deals specifically with Lynch Syndrome, a hereditary disorder in which affected individuals have a higher than normal chance of developing colorectal cancer, endometrial cancer, and various other types of cancers.

Support Programs

This is a list of support programs offered by community organizations and BC Cancer. BC Cancer centres generally offer monthly support groups. Your centre may also offer facilitated groups to help with stress, including mindfulness-based stress reduction, relaxation and stress management, and therapeutic touch.

You can find support programs offered at each BC Cancer centre on the BC Cancer website: bccancer.bc.ca/supportprograms

BC Cancer Patient & Family Counselling: bccancer.bc.ca/our-services/services/supportive-care/patient-family-counselling

Available to anyone in B.C. who has a cancer diagnosis, as well as those supporting them. Counselling available for individuals, couples, and families, either in-person or over the phone. Services are solution-focused and are limited to addressing challenges related to cancer.

Cancer Chat Canada: <u>cancerchat.desouzainstitute.com</u>

An online support group for people with cancer. Call 1.844.725.2476 for information.

CancerConnection.ca (Canadian Cancer Society): cancerconnection.ca

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An online community for cancer patients, caregivers, friends and family. A safe place to connect and find support. Regular webcasts are available on demand on a series of topics relevant to people with cancer including physical activity, relationships and complementary therapies.

BC Cancer Libraries

If you want more information about these or other resources, please contact one of the BC Cancer libraries.

Abbotsford	Kelowna	Prince George
604.851.4710 x 646825	250.712.3900 x 686821	1.888.675.8001 x 8001 (toll free)
1.877.547.3777 (toll free)	1.888.563.7773 (toll free)	
Surrey	Vancouver	Victoria
604.930.2098 x 654576	604.675.8001	250.519.5517
1.800.523.2885 (toll free)	1.888.675.8001 x 8001	1.800.670.3322 (toll free)