

BreastCancerOptions.org 845-339-HOPE

# Metastatic Breast Cancer (MBC) Resources

# **MBC Information**

### **Beyond Pink**

MBC information including biomarkers and genetic testing, managing the physical and emotional side effects, information for family of patients, and MBC personal stories. <u>https://www.lifebeyondpink.com/</u>

### The Breast Cancer Research Foundation

Provides research funding with over 1/3 of funding dedicated to MBC.

Overview of the latest MBC drugs: <u>https://www.bcrf.org/blog/metastatic-breast-cancer-symptoms-treatment</u>

*Evelyn H. Lauder Founder's Fund for Metastatic Breast Cancer Research:* <u>https://www.bcrf.org/evelyn-h-lauder-founders-fund-metastatic-breast-cancer-research</u>

### Living Beyond Breast Cancer

Information, annual metastatic breast cancer conference, and support via the Breast Cancer Helpline (for all stages of breast cancer). 1-888-753-5222 <u>https://www.lbbc.org/</u>

https://www.lbbc.org/your-journey/living-with-metastatic-breast-cancer

#### **Metastatic Breast Cancer Alliance**

A collective of cancer nonprofits, pharmaceutical & biotech industry members, and individual patient advocates. Its mission is to advance MBC research, improve access to quality treatments and care, and empower people through access to education and resources. https://www.mbcalliance.org/

### Metastatic Breast Cancer Network

Education, research funding, founding member of Metastatic Breast Cancer Alliance. <u>https://www.mbcalliance.org/members/metastatic-breast-cancer-network/</u>

### **METAvivor**

Advocacy, research funding, promoting public awareness and education. <u>https://www.metavivor.org/</u>

### **SHARE Cancer Support**

Information, podcasts, Zoom educational programs, webinars, personal stories, and MBC support groups.

Call the Metastatic Breast Cancer Helpline to speak to someone living with MBC at 844-275-7427 and press 6. https://www.sharecancersupport.org/metastatic-breast-cancer/

### Young Survival Coalition

Information, connect with other young women living with MBC via online, email, or phone. <u>https://youngsurvival.org/</u>

Download the Newly Diagnosed Navigator for guidance on treatment options, communicating with healthcare providers and family/friends, and the latest information on MBC: <u>https://youngsurvival.org/newly-diagnosed-navigator</u>



# **MBC Specific Financial Assistance**

### The Angela Andrade Foundation

Assists metastatic breast cancer patients and their families improve their quality of life. Grant money may be used for anything at the discretion of the patient. Eligible to US residents with metastatic breast cancer receiving treatment within the United States.

https://angelaandradefoundation.blogspot.com

### **Infinite Strength**

Provides financial assistance and emotional support to single mothers living with metastatic breast cancer.

https://www.infinitestrength.org/

### The Jack & Jill Late Stage Cancer Foundation

Sends families on fun, memorable trips to resorts and destinations nationwide. Focuses on the mental health of children of parents with terminal cancer. https://www.jajf.org/

Must be referred by a partnering oncologist: https://www.jajf.org/oncology-coalition-partners

### The Mary Herczog Fund for Metastatic Breast Cancer

Provides financial assistance for Stage IV patients that have applied but are still awaiting Social Security Disability.

https://pinkfund.org/mary-herczog-fund-metastatic-breast-cancer-patients/



# **MBC Clinical Trials and Studies**

### Aurora US Biospecimen Resource Study

An ongoing clinical study funded by the Breast Cancer Research Foundation (BCRF) that collects tissue samples and treatment records from patient volunteers who have received a diagnosis of metastatic breast cancer after having been treated for early stage breast cancer. The data collected may lead to better MBC treatments and a better understanding of why breast cancers spread. https://auroraus.org/

### Dana-Farber's EMBRACE Metastatic Breast Cancer Study and Program

Ending Metastatic Breast Cancer for Everyone (EMBRACE), is an ongoing research study conducted at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute since 2009. The study aims to learn more about the biology of MBC and the treatment experiences of patients. MBC Clinical trials and research specific to Dana-Farber are also listed.

https://www.dana-farber.org/cancer-care/treatment/breast-oncology/programs/metastatic-breast-cancer/ clinical-trials-research

EMBRACE also runs a yearly MBC Virtual Forum Series and MBC webcasts:

https://www.dana-farber.org/cancer-care/treatment/breast-oncology/programs/metastatic-breast-cancer/ support-education

### Metastatic Breast Cancer Project

Ongoing clinical study that collects tissue samples, medical records, and saliva from MBC patient volunteers to better understand MBC, and potentially lead to discoveries by studying the DNA of MBC patients.

https://mbcproject.org/

### Metastatic Breast Cancer Trial Search

Search tool designed to specifically search for clinical trials related to an individual's cancer. Answer MBC questions to get tailored results.

<u>https://www.breastcancertrials.org/bct\_nation/mts/mtsCancerType.seam?</u> partnerSite=YSC&trialalertradius=null

### Metastatic Trial Talk

Information on the latest clinical trials and research. <u>https://metastatictrialtalk.org/</u>



# **MBC Support**

### **Breast Cancer Options**

Two monthly peer-led metastatic support groups. Meet over Zoom on the second Monday of the month at 6:30pm and the fourth Monday of the month at 4:30pm.

http://breastcanceroptions.org/support\_groups\_\_services0.aspx

Register here:

Second Monday at 6:30pm: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclcumqqTMoGtU6EJ8XX4\_murVrjlH\_xGhl</u>

Fourth Monday at 4:30pm:

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZQqc-uhpjwuAYdvO6TGRWfUwVQ7hMAeEQ

### Breastcancer.org

MBC community forum. https://community.breastcancer.org/en/categories/stage-iv-metastatic-breast-cancer-only

### Dana Farber's EMBRACing Young and Strong

Virtual socials and educational events for young people with MBC. <u>https://youngandstrong.dana-farber.org/mbc.html</u>

Upcoming Events: <u>https://youngandstrong.dana-farber.org/upcoming-events.html</u>

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Annual metastatic breast cancer conference where people living with MBC and their families can connect with others while learning from medical and wellness experts:

https://www.lbbc.org/community/events/metsconf24? gad\_source=1&gclid=CjwKCAjwrIixBhBbEiwACEqDJQkXa3mTcpTuOmbvKQTxNubPI4SMqXTM hPunyNOpi1J\_QmRs0kSDEBoC3DoQAvD\_BwE



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