

What is Hemophilia?

You may have heard hemophilia referred to as the "Bleeder's Disease." Adults and children with this condition and similar bleeding disorders experience frequent bleeding episodes due to a lack of clotting factor in their blood. People with bleeding disorders can face persistent challenges, secondary health issues, and daily living obstacles. Bleeding disorders-like hemophilia—are lifelong conditions that can affect anyone. Treatments, which cost \$10,000 a month or more, can never be stopped. To date, there is no cure.

What is KHF?

Kentucky Hemophilia Foundation (KHF) is the Kentucky Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation. We are a private, non-profit organization established in 1960 as a support system for families affected by hemophilia and similar bleeding disorders. KHF is the only organization in Kentucky for those with genetic bleeding disorders and their families.



We are reaching out to wish you and your family well as we are all adjusting to life in the face of COVID-19. While still in the midst of this health crisis in the U.S., COVID-19 is looking more and more like a long, frightening ride with far-reaching impact on us all. Within the bleeding



disorders community, there are concerns about access to care and the availability of products and services during the ongoing emergency that has caused job losses, lay-offs, and furloughs in addition to the threat of getting sick. KHF is monitoring this evolving situation and its impact on the people of our community. This is more than a health crisis; this pandemic has ripple effects that will be felt for a long time.

In light of the current situation, KHF is establishing a Coronavirus Emergency Fund, called KHF Cares, to provide critically needed assistance to those in our bleeding community who are facing unexpected expenses from the sudden calamity of the COVID-19 pandemic.

KHF will provide assistance to those in our bleeding community who apply to KHF and demonstrate a financial need to help with essential living expenses, such as utilities, food, household items, rent, and transportation. KHF members in need may get more information about applying for KHF Cares Emergency Fund assistance by calling 502-456-3233 or 1-800-582-CURE (2873) or via email to info@kyhemo.org.



Anyone who would like to make a contribution to the KHF Cares Coronavirus Emergency Fund may donate at www.kyhemo.org. This will help us meet a \$25,000 challenge gift from Mr. and Mrs. Terry Forcht of Corbin, KY. You can also fill out and mail the form to

the right. Please consider making a gift today so that we can continue helping our families with the support

they need to survive. 100% of your donation will go directly to bleeding disorder families in our state.



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