



## Families Coping with Illness

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### **ChronicIllnet**

<http://www.chronicillnet.org>

The first multimedia information source on the Internet dedicated to chronic illnesses including AIDS, cancer, Persian Gulf War Syndrome, autoimmune diseases, Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, heart disease and neurological diseases. This site speaks to many different people--researchers, patients, laypeople, and physicians, to name a few.

### **Improving Chronic Illness Care**

<http://www.improvingchroniccare.org/>

Improving Chronic Illness Care, a national program of The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, is dedicated to the idea that United States health care can do better. The 133 million Americans who suffer from diabetes, depression and other chronic conditions can lead healthier lives. Providers who care for chronically ill patients can be better supported with guidelines, specialty expertise and information systems. Overall health care costs can be lowered through better care delivery.

### **John E. Welshons' Open Heart Seminars**

<http://www.openheartseminars.com/>

### The American Geriatrics Society

A nationwide, not-for-profit organization and the premier professional organization of health care providers, dedicated to improving the health and well-being of all older adults.



### Center For Health Care Strategies

This nonprofit, policy resource center promotes high quality health care services for low-income populations and people with chronic illnesses and disabilities.

### Center for Research on Chronic Illness

Located at the University of North Carolina, the CRCI is one of nine centers funded by the National Institute of Nursing Research to promote excellence in nursing research.

### Chronic Disease Prevention

A site sponsored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

### Empowering Caregivers

Empowering Caregivers' Web site provides a safe, nurturing site for all caregivers with emotional and spiritual support and a vast amount of both online and off-line resources for caregivers.

### Encourage

A site for teens with chronic illnesses.

### Faith in Action

A national program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Faith in Action makes grants to volunteers representing many religious faiths who care for chronically ill people in their community.

### Family Caregiver Alliance/National Center on Caregiving

This organization provides a public voice for caregivers, illuminating the daily challenges they face, offering them assistance and championing their cause through education, services, research and advocacy.

### Family Voices

Family Voices believes that children with special health needs face common problems caused by fundamental inadequacies in our health care system.

### Foundation for Health in Aging

A foundation that advocates on behalf of older adults and their special needs. This site offers information on preventive care, self-responsibility and independence, and connections to family and community.

### HealingWell.com

This site features a useful portal for information about specific chronic illnesses.

### Howard University College of Medicine

Focusing on the needs of the African American community, Howard University trains students to



become competent, compassionate physicians who deliver care in communities having a shortage of health personnel.

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The Invisible Disabilities Advocate

A personal site devoted to helping people understand chronic illness.

Long-Term Care Provider.com

A commercial site devoted to long-term health care needs.

National Academy of Social Insurance

NASI works to enhance the public's understanding of social insurance systems and related social assistance and private employee benefits.

National Association of School Nurses

A group promoting excellence in school health, prevention of illness and disability, and the early detection and correction of health problems.

National Business Coalition on Health

The NBCH spreads tenets and practical applications of community health reform to regions with interested employers and start-up groups.

National Chronic Care Consortium

A mission-driven organization of leading-edge health networks dedicated to transforming the delivery of chronic care services.

National Family Caregivers Association (NFCA)

This association provides support to family caregivers and publicizes caregivers' needs.

National Foundation for the Treatment of Pain

A not-for-profit organization providing support for patients with intractable pain, their families, friends and physicians.

National Health Council

An organization dedicated to improving the health of all people, particularly those with chronic diseases and/or disabilities.

National PACE Association (NPA)

A nonprofit membership organization representing the interests of almost 60 chapters. These organizations share the goal of promoting the availability of quality, comprehensive, and cost-effective health care services to frail, older adults.



### Older Women's League\*

A group that strives to improve the status and quality of life for midlife and older women.

### Partnership for Solutions

An initiative sponsored by Johns Hopkins University and the Robert Johnson Wood Foundation to improve the care and quality of life for Americans with chronic health conditions.

### Research in Continuing/Chronic Care

Sponsored by the University of Calgary, this group supports and disseminates research about chronic illness and care.

### Rest Ministries

A non-profit Christian organization that exists to serve people who live with chronic illness or pain, and their families.

### Role of Nutrition in Chronic Disease Care

From the American Academy of Family Physicians, this site features articles in PDF format about how nutritional habits impact certain chronic illnesses.

### The Rosalynn Carter Institute for Human Development

Formed in honor of First Lady Rosalynn Carter in 1987, RCI promotes the mental health and well-being of individuals, families, and professional caregivers.

### Shepherd's Centers of America

Created in 1972, this interfaith, non-profit umbrella organization coordinates nearly 100 independent centers around the nation. It is a ministry by and for older adults of all faiths to enrich their later years with opportunities for service to others, self expression, meaningful work and close friendships.

### WE Media Inc.

This group is revolutionizing access for millions of people with disabilities, their families and friends through print, interactive, broadcast and wireless communications.

### When Someone You Know Has a Chronic Illness

From KidsHealth.org, sponsored by the Nemours Foundation.

