Caregiver Resources

For Caregivers

American Red Cross

www.redcross.org/take-a-class

Offers training in Family Caregiving, which provides a variety of information-packed sessions covering topics that can help you provide better care for a sick or elderly loved one at home. Topics include general caregiving skills, assisting with personal care, and legal and financial issues.

Contact:

North Central Florida Chapter 352-376-4669 1425 NW 6th Street Gainesville, FL 32601

Caregiver Action Network

www.caregiveraction.org

NFCA educates, supports, empowers and speaks up for the more than 50 million Americans who care for loved ones with a chronic illness or disability or the frailties of old age.

Contact:

855-227-3640

CaringBridge.org

www.caringbridge.org

Free, personalized websites that help keep family and friends connected during a serious health event.

Contact:

651-789-2300

Cooking For Chemo

cookingforchemo.org

A "How To Cook" Cookbook that teaches you how to adjust your cooking for chemotherapy patients.

While most cancer cookbooks are focused on teaching you about healthy ingredients and recipes to eat, Cooking For Chemo focuses on teaching you how to adjust flavor so you can enjoy your food again while undergoing chemotherapy treatments. The theory Chef Ryan Callahan teaches you can be applied to ANY diet or dietary regimen that your dietitian or

physician puts you on. The applicability of this theory to any style of cooking or dietary requirements is what sets this book apart from all other books.

Contact:

Jessie Callahan cookingforchemo@gmail.com

Family Caregiver Alliance

www.caregiver.org

Provides a variety of free online resources for family caregivers.

Contact:

info@caregiver.org 1-800-445-8106

Haven Hospice

www.beyourhaven.org

Haven Hospice offers Patient and Family Care at home, in nursing homes, in hospitals and at their care centers. Also helps patients manage their symptoms and gives families/caregivers needed resources and assistance.

Contact:

352-378-2121

Development: 800-727-1889 Administrative Offices 4200 NW 90th Blvd. Gainesville, FL 32606

Hospice Foundation of America

www.hospicefoundation.org

The Caregiving Resource page of their website offers practical tools, reading suggestions, and tips on caregiving for persons near the endoflife. Most of this information is useful under other caregiving situations.

Contact:

hfaoffice@hospicefoundation.org

800-854-3402

Michelle M. Bishop, PhD

www.coping-with-cancer.net

A licensed psychologist who provides therapy to help survivors and their loved-ones deal with the stressors of cancer, treatment and the adjustment to survivorship. She also provides caregiver coaching. She is a preferred provider for Blue Cross and Blue Shield as well as Medicare. Limited slots are available at reduced cost for those with financial hardship.

Contact:

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Gainesville, FL 32608

National Association for Home Care & Hospice

www.nahc.com

Offers educational materials and information on agencies, hospices, home care aide organizations and medical equipment suppliers.

Contact:

202-547-7424

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a)

www.n4a.org

Advocates services and resources for older adults and persons with disabilities. Members of n4a have the opportunity to obtain a national voice, be informed and prepared on aging issues and gain recognition.

Contact:

202-872-0888

National Cancer Institute: Caregivers, Family & Friends

www.cancer.gov/cancertopics/coping/familyfriends

nformation to help caregivers cope while caring for a loved one with cancer, and also features resources that help individuals with cancer cope with the illness.

Contact:

1-800-4-CANCER

National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

www.caringinfo.org

Their Caring Connections website provides free resources, and information about end-of-life issues such as advance care planning, caregiving, hospice and palliative care and grief.

Contact:

800-658-8898

nhpco_info@nhpco.org

Multilingual Line: 877-658-8896

National Volunteer Caregiving Network

The mission of National Volunteer Caregiving Network is to promote volunteer caregiving through advocacy and the support and development of local programs.

Contact:

info@nvcnetwork.org 512-582-2197 1765 Goodyear Avenue, Suite 204 Ventura, CA 93003

The American Association for Caregiver Education

www.caregivered.org

Publishes The Family Caregiver Practical Problem Solving Manual, and provides resources to professionals who train family caregivers.

Contact:

AACE@caregiverEd.org

The Mesothelioma Group

www.mesotheliomagroup.com

Our goal at the Mesothelioma Group is to increase mesothelioma awareness and assist those already afflicted. We believe that any individual that is diagnosed with cancer deserves to have the best information and support available.

Contact:

Help@MesotheliomaGroup.com 800-333-8975

Home Health Agencies

Amedisys Home Health Services

www.amedisys.com

Contact:

352-794-3861 2772 NW 43rd Street Suite C Gainesville, FL 32606

Champion Home Health Care

championhome.com

Serving Gainesville and Surrounding Communities. Alachua, Bradford, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy and Union Counties.

Contact:

352-371-8600 3911 W. Newberry Rd., Ste. B-2 Gainesville, FL 32607

Comfort Keepers

www.comfortkeepers.com/office-546/gainesville-florida

Contact:

352-221-9244 1035 NW 57th Street Gainesville, FL 32605

Kindred At Home

Kindredhealthcare.com

Contact:

352-376-3221 3951 NW 48th Ter Suite 219 Gainesville, FL 32606

Mederi Caretenders

LHCgroup.com

Contact:

352-379-6217 4923 NW 43rd Street Suite A Gainesville, FL 32653

Mederi Caretenders Palatka

www.lhcgroup.com

Contact:

Nurse On Call Home Healthcare

www.nurseoncallfl.com

Contact:

352-395-6424 3630 SW 47th Ave Gainesville, FL 32608

Omni Home Care – Palatka

www.omnihomecare.net

Contact:

386-312-0646 700 Zeagler Drive Palatka, FL 32177

Senior Home Care

www.seniorhomecare.net

Contact:

352-332-6575 5860 NW 39th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32606

Shands HomeCare

ufhealth.org/homecare

Shands HomeCare offers a wide array of support services and assistance, from skilled nursing and therapy to homemaker services. Many of these services are covered under health insurance plans and Medicare. If you would like more information about Shands HomeCare and you live in Alachua, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy, Bradford, Union, Putnam, Lafayette, Columbia, Suwannee, Hamilton or Marion counties, please call.

Contact:

352-265-0789

Toll Free: 800-999-2189

SunCrest OMNI Home Health – Newberry

www.lhcgroup.com

Contact:

352-384-9240 95 NW 253rd St. Suite 3 Newberry, FL 32669

Touching Hearts

www.touchinghearts/gainsville.com

Provides Home Health care support including companionship, household chores, medication services, transportation services, house monitoring, and Alzheimer's and Dementia care.

Contact:

e.halloren@touchinghearts.com

352-225-3727 4051 NW 43rd St. Suite 37 Gainesville, FL 32606