



LEUKEMIA AWARENESS

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Wear orange. Share facts. Stand with patients and families.

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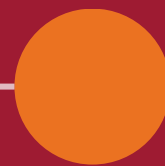
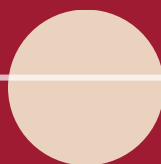
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Leukemia is a cancer that begins in blood-forming tissue, often the bone marrow. Awareness starts with learning, sharing, and supporting.

SHARE FACTS.

STAND WITH PATIENTS
AND FAMILIES.

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THE FOUR MAIN TYPES



1. ALL — Acute lymphoblastic leukemia



2. AML — Acute myeloid leukemia



3. CLL — Chronic lymphocytic leukemia



4. CML — Chronic myeloid leukemia

Each type is different and requires individualized medical care.

LEARN. SHARE. SUPPORT. SAVE LIVES.

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ACUTE OR CHRONIC?

ACUTE
LEUKEMIA —
GENERALLY
PROGRESSES
QUICKLY.

CHRONIC
LEUKEMIA —
GENERALLY
PROGRESSES
MORE SLOWLY.

Both need individualized medical care.
Learn the language. Support the journey.

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DON'T IGNORE PERSISTENT CHANGES

Fatigue



Fever

Frequent infections

Easy bruising or bleeding

Shortness of breath

Night sweats

Weight loss

Bone pain

These symptoms
can have many causes,
so speak with a clinician
about concerning or
persistent changes.

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EASY BRUISING ISN'T ALWAYS 'NOTHING'



UNEXPLAINED
BRUISING



FREQUENT
NOSEBLEEDS



BLEEDING
GUMS



TINY RED
SKIN SPOTS

Unexplained bruising, frequent nosebleeds, bleeding gums, or tiny red skin spots can be signs worth discussing with a healthcare professional.



Notice. Ask. Act.



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WHEN TIRED FEELS DIFFERENT



Ongoing weakness, fatigue, dizziness, or shortness of breath should not be ignored—especially if symptoms are new or worsening.

Your health deserves attention.

**LISTEN TO YOUR BODY. SPEAK TO A HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONAL.
EARLY CONVERSATIONS CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

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SCREENING FACTS



Diagnosis often begins after symptoms, an exam, or abnormal blood-test results.

Keep regular medical visits and discuss concerning changes.

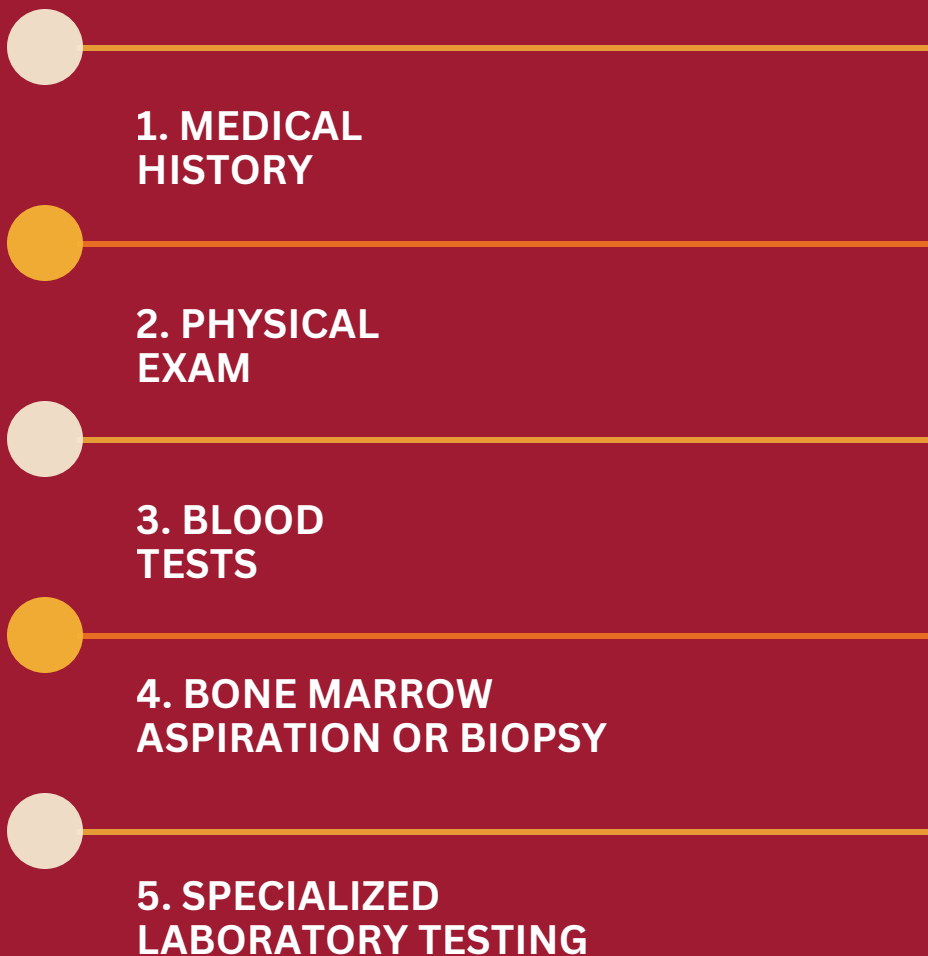
There is no standard screening test for leukemia in people without symptoms.

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HOW LEUKEMIA IS DIAGNOSED

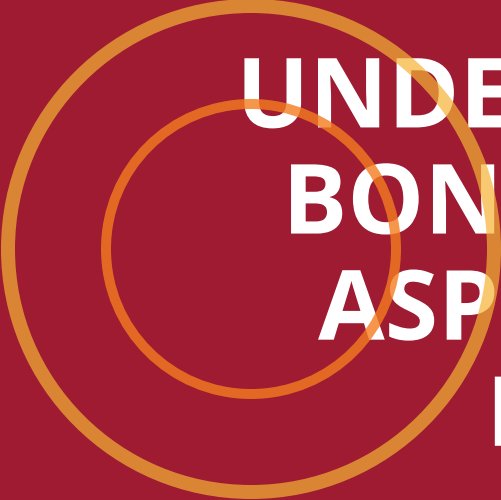
These steps help doctors diagnose and classify Leukemia.

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1. MEDICAL HISTORY
 2. PHYSICAL EXAM
 3. BLOOD TESTS
 4. BONE MARROW ASPIRATION OR BIOPSY
 5. SPECIALIZED LABORATORY TESTING

Ask questions. Bring support. Take notes.

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UNDERSTANDING BONE MARROW ASPIRATION & BIOPSY

These procedures collect marrow samples so specialists can examine cells and guide diagnosis and treatment planning.

Ask your care team what to expect and how to prepare.

KNOWLEDGE EMPOWERS. QUESTIONS LEAD THE WAY.

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LEUKEMIA CARE IS NOT ONE-SIZE- FITS-ALL

CHEMOTHERAPY

TARGETED THERAPY

RADIATION IN
CERTAIN SITUATIONS

Treatment can include
chemotherapy, targeted
therapy, immunotherapy,
radiation in certain
situations, supportive care,
and stem cell transplant.

IMMUNOTHERAPY

Every care plan is unique.

SUPPORTIVE
CARE

STEM CELL
TRANSPLANT

Talk with your care team about your options.

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A STEM CELL TRANSPLANT CAN BE PART OF CARE



Blood stem cell transplants may help restore blood-forming cells after intensive treatment for some people with leukemia. Ask the care team whether this approach may be part of an individual treatment plan.

Learn. Advocate. Support donor registration.

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ONE DONATION CAN SUPPORT CANCER CARE

Some patients may need red blood cell or platelet transfusions during treatment. Donating blood can help strengthen a community's supply.



If eligible, consider donating blood.

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PREVENTION & RISK FACTORS

Avoid tobacco.

Limit unnecessary radiation exposure.

Follow workplace safety guidance.

Keep routine healthcare appointments.



Facts over Fear.

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CHILDHOOD LEUKEMIA AWARENESS

Leukemia is the most common Cancer in children younger than 15, though it also affects adults- especially older adults.



Support families at every age and stage.

Talk with a healthcare professional about symptoms, risks, testing, or treatment.

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QUESTIONS TO ASK AFTER DIAGNOSIS



What type of leukemia is it?

What tests do I need?

What are my treatment choices?

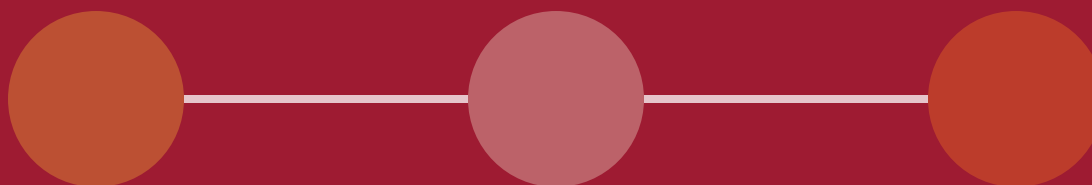
What side effects may occur?

Is a clinical trial appropriate?

**Write it down.
Bring an advocate.**

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SUPPORT FOR PATIENTS & CAREGIVERS



Financial navigation
resources

Peer groups

Palliative care

Mental health
support

Emotional support

Caregiver help

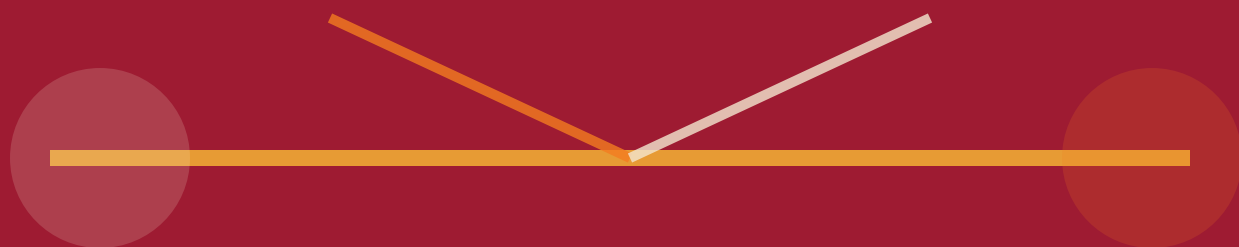
Reach out. Accept help. Stay connected.

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CLINICAL TRIALS HELP MOVE CARE FORWARD

Clinical trials study new ways to prevent, diagnose, and treat cancer. Eligibility varies! Ask your oncology team whether a trial may be right for you.



RESEARCH

HOPE

CARE

Questions create possibilities.

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TURN AWARENESS INTO ACTION.



**Share
reliable
information.**

**Encourage
someone to
speak up
about
persistent
symptoms.**

**Donate
blood if
eligible.**

**Support
patients,
caregivers,
and
research.**

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