

What is the Passport for Care?

The Passport for Care is a free online resource that provides childhood cancer survivors with access to a personalized long-term care plan. This information can be shared with their general health care team to support long-term health. Long-term follow-up is just as important as the cancer treatment itself.

At what point in the treatment journey should patients access the Passport for Care?

Long-term follow-up for survivors of childhood cancer typically begins once they are in remission and have fully recovered from the immediate effects of treatment. This is usually around 5 years after treatment has finished.

Why do survivors need long-term follow-up care?

Long-term follow-up care supports childhood cancer survivors in living healthy, fulfilling lives and receiving the care they need. All childhood cancer survivors should have regular, ongoing medical care. This is called survivorship care. How often visits are needed depends on how long it has been since treatment ended, the treatments received, and any health problems caused by treatment.

Survivorship care can be provided in different ways, including:

- With the same oncology clinic/provider where the original cancer treatment was received
- With an oncology clinic/provider specializes in long-term follow-up for survivors of childhood cancer
- With a family provider in your local community that may be working in partnership with the original treatment team

How do survivors access the Passport for Care Portal?

Once consent is given, survivors who are 18 years or older, or parents or guardians of survivors who are under 18, will receive an access code from the treatment center. Entering this code into the website or app allows access to the personalized survivorship care plan.

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Passport for Care Online:
<https://www.passportforcare.org/en/>



What can survivors find in their Passport for Care?

The Passport for Care provides:

- Secure access to the survivor cancer treatment summary
- Personalized, evidence-based follow-up care recommendations according to current guidelines
- Potential late effects based on the survivor treatment exposures
- Tests that are recommended to screen for potential late effects
- A printable summary and follow-up guide to share with health care providers
- Personalized educational “Health Links” tailored to specific treatments

How can the Passport for Care help survivors’ health care providers?

If survivors choose to share their personalized survivorship care plan with health care providers, this can help them to understand possible issues survivors may experience after cancer treatments and how to screen or monitor for any late effects specific to that survivor.

Does the Passport for Care use survivors’ treatment information for research?

No, the Passport for Care will not use a survivor’s information for research without first obtaining separate, specific consent.

Where is the Passport for Care information stored, and how is it maintained?

The application is hosted on a secure, highly durable cloud-based system. Privacy and security safeguards are in place to meet applicable Saskatchewan privacy requirements. Active data is retained indefinitely, and backups are conducted nightly. All changes to clinic data are tracked in logs, which can be requested through an audit.

What if I change my mind about having my information shared within Passport for Care?

Should the clinic/Saskatchewan program or survivor choose to delete a survivor’s record within Passport for Care, the information will be removed from the active PFC system, making it inaccessible to program users. If a survivor’s record is deleted, it will no longer be available in the Passport for Care system. Some information may remain in secure backups and audit logs, as required for system safety and accountability.

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