# Patient Assistance Clinical Trials



As the leading private funder of research in the sarcoma community, it is our mission to advance more and less toxic treatment options for sarcoma patients. To this end, it is vital that patients have access to clinical trials. Often, sarcoma patients must travel or pay out of pocket expenses to participate. SFA receives inquiries from patients of all ages, from across the country, needing assistance for information about and access to clinical trials and sarcoma specialty centers. We realize the desperate need in the sarcoma community. To assist patients with this burden, SFA has initiated a program to provide financial reimbursement for direct expenses related to clinical trial participation.

## JORDAN'S DREAM FUND FOR CLINICAL TRIALS

One of the goals of Jordan's Dream Fund is assisting patients in fighting their disease to help them realize better outcomes and live long, fulfilling lives. One way the organization is committed to doing this is by providing financial assistance so people who need help, can access the care they need.

In memory and honor of their loved one, Jordan, who passed away from epithelioid sarcoma at the age of 28, Jordan's Dream Fund is investing in the lives of sarcoma patients across the country.

Together, SFA and Jordan's Dream Fund has created a special "Jordan's Dream Fund for Clinical Trials". This fund will be used to provide financial assistance to patients diagnosed with sarcoma, so they are able to participate in clinical trials.

To qualify, patients complete an application process and once qualified, work directly with SFA to provide the assistance needed.

#### Jordan's Dream Fund for Clinical Trials Application Guidelines

We only assist with direct expenses related to transportation (airfare, gas, rental cars, taxi fare, parking/tolls), lodging.

Grants are awarded four times each year (quarterly). Grant amounts will not exceed \$5,000, however there will be an opportunity to apply for an extension if additional funds are needed to complete the clinical trial. To highlight those with the most need, adjusted gross household income will weigh heavily into the funding decision.

## Jordan's Dream Fund for Clinical Trials Application Process

All applications must be submitted through the online portal. If you do not have internet access, please email clinicaltrials@curesarcoma.org.

Applicants must meet financial eligibility requirements and already be accepted into or are already participating in a trial. Only completed applications are reviewed for eligibility. An application review will be conducted by SFA and selected applicants will meet virtually or by phone with members of the Jordan's Dream Fund selection committee.

Grants are awarded for eligible expenses up to the maximum award limit per patient. All awards are based on available funds. Approval of an application does not ensure that funding will be at the maximum level requested. Funds are limited and will be granted based on availability as well as meeting all eligibility requirements.

Applicants selected for funding will receive an agreement to sign along with details to submit for reimbursement for expenses.

## For questions, please contact us at clinicaltrials@curesarcoma.org.

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#### **Expense Reimbursement**

Please complete the estimated expenses on the application form. Expenses will be reimbursed At the current federal reimbursement level for hotel and food and beverage per diem. The daily lodging per diem rate is \$107. The daily meals and incidentals per diem is \$59.

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## **Financial Eligibility**

The goal of Jordan's Dream Fund for clinical trial access is to assist patients most in need. Therefore, financial eligibility is up to 500% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. See the chart below for eligibility.

## 2024 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Persons in family/household	500% Poverty guidelines
1	\$72,900
2	\$98,600
3	\$124,300
4	\$150,000
5	\$175,700
6	\$201,400
7	\$227,100
8	\$252,800

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