

Sickle cell disease fertility preservation grant

For individuals living with sickle cell disease (SCD), getting a transplant can provide a cure. As part of the transplant process, SCD warriors undergo a conditioning regimen that can impact fertility. Insurance providers often do not cover costs related to fertility preservation and there is extremely limited funding available to individuals with sickle cell disease.

With funding generously provided by NMDPSM and their partner Sickle Cell Health Reproductive Education Directive (SCRED) can provide financial help for Sickle Cell Warriors who want the opportunity to build their own families post-transplant.

Eligibility requirements

- Diagnosis of sickle cell disease
- Patient is pre-transplant and transplant team has identified a donor or cord for collection
- Household monthly net (take-home) income does not exceed 350% of the federal poverty line
- Transplant center team submits application affirming patient's eligibility and need
- Fertility clinic consultation either scheduled or completed

Grant coverage inclusions

- Oocyte retrieval and cryopreservation
- Embryo culture, fertilization and cryopreservation
- Ovarian tissue freezing (pediatric)
- Semen analysis and freezing (sperm banking)
- Testicular cryopreservation
- Storage fees (up to 10 years)
- Medications

Grant specifics

- The Sickle Cell Disease Fertility Preservation Grant can give patients a grant of up to \$10,000 to help towards preserving fertility prior to transplant
- Funds preferred to be paid to the patient, but could be issued to fertility clinic
- If funds go to the clinic, their W9 form is required
- To apply, please reach out to the NMDP patient financial assistance team:

Email: patientgrants@nmdp.org
Phone: (763) 406-8114

350% Federal Poverty Level

Patient's monthly take home income must not exceed 350% of the federal poverty level.

Persons in Household	Monthly Household Income (Take Home)		
	48 Contiguous States and D.C.	Alaska	Hawaii
1	\$4,393	\$5,486	\$5,049
2	\$5,962	\$7,449	\$6,854
3	\$7,531	\$9,412	\$8,660
4	\$9,100	\$11,375	\$10,465
5	\$10,669	\$13,338	\$12,270
6	\$12,238	\$15,301	\$14,076
7	\$13,808	\$17,264	\$15,881
8	\$15,377	\$19,227	\$17,687