



Benedictine

HEALTH FOUNDATION

Supporting the Benedictine Spirit of Compassionate Care

The **Benedictine Health Foundation, Inc.** is a not-for-profit charitable organization incorporated in 1977. Our Mission is *“to raise and distribute resources to support quality and compassionate healthcare that improves the physical, psychological, and spiritual well being of those who are vulnerable and underserved.”* Our core areas of focus include Cancer Patient & Family Care, Behavioral Health & Substance Abuse and Spiritual Care Services for patients and families in need.

The Benedictine Health Foundation’s **Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund** strives to aid in the treatment, care, and support of cancer patient. Established in 2004, in partnership with the Gruner family, the Fund provides financial assistance to cancer patients in the form of gift cards for fuel and groceries.

- Patients must be in current treatment for a cancer diagnosis and have an annual household income of less than \$50,000 for families or \$35,000 for single to receive assistance from the Fund.
- Residents of Ulster County (regardless of the medical facility where they currently receive treatment), and also residents of neighboring Mid-Hudson Valley Counties receiving treatment within Ulster County are eligible to apply.

Once qualified, gift cards to Hannaford Supermarkets to purchase nutritious food and/or fuel cards to Stewart’s Shops to help cover the cost of transportation to treatment are provided. \$500 per calendar year is available to each patient.

When a patient’s health insurance does not cover a required cancer treatment product, patients are referred to the area hospital’s Oncology Support Program to seek assistance in obtaining prosthesis, lymph edema sleeves, wigs, turbans, surgical bras, or compression stockings.

The **Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer Fund** has distributed over \$750,000 to more than 1650 cancer patients in the Mid-Hudson Valley.

The Benedictine Health Foundation’s goal is to provide support to every eligible cancer patient both now and in the future.



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A helping hand for cancer patients and their families