

Appendix 1:

**WMUK Patient Assistance Fund**  
**Application Form**

Please complete this form to apply for the WMUK Patient Assistance Fund and receive a one-off grant of £200.

This grant can be used towards any associated costs which come with the diagnosis and treatment of Waldenstroms Macroglobulinemia (WM) or Lymphoplasmacytic Lymphoma (LPL) .

This grant can only be applied for once and will be transferred by BACS transfer.  
Please ensure to read the associated terms and conditions.

To be eligible, you must meet the below criteria:

- Be a patient with a confirmed diagnosis of WM or LPL.
- Have a letter provided by your clinical team which confirms your diagnosis
- Currently reside in the UK

<b>Applicant Details</b>	
<b>Name of Patient:</b>	
<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>	
<b>Contact Number:</b>	
<b>Contact details of Healthcare Professional who has provided supporting letter:</b>	

<b>Bank Account Details</b>	
<b>Bank Name and Address:</b>	
<b>Sort Code:</b>	
<b>Account Number:</b>	

Please return this completed form, along with your supporting letter from your clinical team to [info@wmuk.org.uk](mailto:info@wmuk.org.uk)

## **Terms & Conditions**

### **What is the Patient Assistance Fund?**

The Patient Assistance Fund provides a £200 one-off grant to anyone diagnosed with WM, to help towards costs associated with the diagnosis and treatment of WM.

We understand that when you're diagnosed with WM, you might incur extra financial costs. This might be travel costs to attend hospital appointments, or a lowered income because you've had to give up work or reduce your hours. As the cost-of-living rises, we've opened up the WMUK Patient Assistance Fund to help those of you in the WM community who are struggling financially.

Thanks to generous donations from the WM community, we are able to offer eligible applicants a one-off grant of £200. Our pot of money is limited, however, and grants will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

### **Eligibility**

The fund is open to anyone who has received a diagnosis of Waldenstrom's macroglobulinaemia (WM) or lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma (LPL).

You must currently reside in the United Kingdom.

We require a headed letter from, and signed by, your consultant or CNS confirming your diagnosis. The requirements for the letter are laid out in the application process section. One grant is available per patient.

The fund is not open to family, friends or carers of people with WM, only patients may apply.

### **Application process**

The application process is simple. Just fill in the application form and email to us with a scanned copy of a letter confirming your diagnosis. The letter must:

- Be from and signed by your Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) or consultant
- Be on headed paper from your CNS/Consultant's hospital
- Include your full name
- Include your address
- Confirm your diagnosis of Waldenstrom's macroglobulinaemia

Email us the form and letter to [info@wmuk.org.uk](mailto:info@wmuk.org.uk).

## Processing your grant

Once we've received your application, we'll let you know within 2 weeks whether you have been successful.

We will then transfer the funds by BACs within 7 working days to the account details you have provided. The grant will be paid in GBP.

Your account details will be kept securely on our files until this point, and will subsequently be deleted after the transfer. If you are unsuccessful in your application, we will immediately delete your bank details from our system.

## Using the funds

The grants can be used for a range of purposes, covering the costs associated with the diagnosis and treatment of WM. These include but are not limited to: train fares or petrol to get to hospital appointments, hospital parking fees, hotel costs for overnight hospital stays, help towards food or bills. Ultimately, how you use the funds is up to you.

We do not require proof of expenditure.

## FAQs

### *Why has my application been turned down?*

Your application may have been turned down because you have not met the eligibility criteria. If this is the case, we will notify you of the reason when we get in touch. Reasons include:

- You haven't received an official diagnosis of Waldenstrom's macroglobulinaemia or lymphoplasmacytic lymphoma
- You haven't filled in the form correctly
- You haven't included a letter from your consultant or CNS confirming your diagnosis
- You are a carer, family member or friend of someone with WM or LPL
- The letter from your consultant or CNS does not meet the requirements laid out in the application process
- You have previously been awarded a grant from the WMUK Patient Assistance Fund

The funds available are limited, and will be awarded on a first come, first served basis. This means that your application might be turned down if you apply after our funds run out.

### *Can I apply more than once?*

If you have been successful in your first application and received a grant from the Patient Assistance Fund, then you cannot apply again for another 12 months. This is because our

pot of funds is limited and we want to ensure everyone who needs access to the funds can receive them.

If you were unsuccessful in your previous application and your circumstances have changed so that you are now eligible (e.g. you now have an official diagnosis of WM, instead of suspected disease), then you are very welcome to reapply. Please carefully review the eligibility criteria and application process to ensure you meet the requirements.

*Can I apply on someone's behalf?*

The WMUK Patient Assistance Fund is only available to WM and LPL patients, and we ask that they apply to us directly.

However, we want to ensure the funds are accessible to everyone who needs them. If, for whatever reason, the person living with WM is unable to apply themselves, please contact us at [info@wmuk.org.uk](mailto:info@wmuk.org.uk) and we will work with you to complete their application.