**INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS**

**A discretionary fund is available for individuals to apply for assistance directly through the Foundation.**

Criteria for consideration of financial assistance

* Applicant must be under active treatment for head and neck cancer or has undergone treatment for head and neck cancer by an established oncologist.
* Typically, the patient must be/have been treated at a facility in a region where HNC Living has raised money.
* Applicant must complete and submit the HNC Living Foundation Individual Application for Assistance.
* There is no current insurance coverage for requested expenses.
* Applicant must meet income qualifications (see application for income guidelines)
* Can apply once every 12 months.

Not covered:

* Expenses not related to head and neck cancer treatment or recovery
* Expenses that can be paid for through other community resources (i.e., emergency assistance funds for rent or utilities, food pantries)
* Expenses that are covered by private insurance, Medicare or Medicaid
* Debt reduction
* Home modifications

Review of applications and payment of grants:

* Applications will be reviewed and financial aid determined within 60 days of receipt of completed application.
* For individual applicants, payment will be made directly to service providers or vendors for future services. No cash payments will go directly to the patient.