

Travel scholarships are available to individuals who have had to travel more than 50 miles from their home to receive FDA-approved medical care and/or treatment for their epilepsy/seizure disorder, but lack adequate financial resources to meet the cost of travel without bearing financial hardship.

Eligibility

- Applicants must reside in the United States, Puerto Rico or US Virgin Islands.
- Applicants must attempt to exhaust at least three other funding sources within the county and state where the patient lives in addition to their insurance company.
- Applicants must provide justification for obtaining medical treatment/services more than 50 miles outside of the patient's home for their epilepsy/seizure disorder. This includes official documentation from the patient's doctor, medical practitioner, or facility where treatment/services will be provided. This is required and must include the reason(s) for treatment, treatments received, and date(s) of treatment.
- Applicants may apply prior to travel for pre-approval.
- Original receipts must be included for final application consideration and funds disbursement.

Program Guidelines

- The **maximum** amount that can be awarded per individual within any 2-year time period is \$1,500 and \$3,000 per family. Families are households with two (2) or more immediate family members in the same household diagnosed with epilepsy.
- Completed applications must include original receipts.
- Application must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days after the last day of travel.
- A request for additional funds may be submitted if travelling again within a 2-year period and award amounts have not been reached.

How to apply

To apply for the Penry Patient Travel Assistance Fund, visit epilepsy.com/affiliates and see if the patient resides in an Epilepsy Foundation Affiliated area. If they do, contact the affiliate that serves that area. The affiliate will help with the application process.

If the patient does not reside in an affiliated area, please contact the Epilepsy Foundation National Office at 1.800.332.1000, option 1 to speak with an Information Specialist.

For an application & eligibility guidelines, visit epilepsy.com/penryfund or contact the Epilepsy & Seizures 24/7 Helpline at 800.332.1000, option 1

Covered Expenses

- Air, rail, bus fare or mileage between a patient's United States residence and the facility where treatment is received.
 - Cab fare, parking and tolls.
 - Lodging/hotel room nights.
- If the patient receiving treatment is a minor and/or is cognitively unable to travel without adult supervision/assistance, the fund will cover the expenses for an adult companion/parent as a part of the award.

Expenses Not Covered

- Meals
- Entertainment (i.e. in-room movies, etc.)
- Personal hygiene items
- Medications/prescriptions
- Cleaning supplies
- Gifts
- Alcoholic beverages
- Gasoline (costs for gasoline are included in the mileage reimbursement)
- Car repairs
- Telephone
- Non FDA approved treatment

Scholarships are awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis until funds are exhausted during any given program year.

About the J. Kiffin Penry Patient Travel Assistance Fund

The Epilepsy Foundation established the J. Kiffin Penry patient Travel Assistance Fund in honor of J. Kiffin Penry. Dr. Penry, who died in 1996, is considered one of the most influential epilepsy leaders of his generation. He became a professor at Bowman Gray School of Medicine following a distinguished career at the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS). Dr. Penry served for a number of years on the Epilepsy Foundation's Professional Advisory Board (PAB) and National Board of Directors.

About the Epilepsy Foundation

The Epilepsy Foundation, a national non-profit with 47 affiliated organizations throughout the United States, has led the fight against seizures since 1968. The Foundation is an unwavering ally for individuals and families impacted by epilepsy and seizures. The mission of the Epilepsy Foundation is to stop seizures and sudden unexpected death in epilepsy (SUDEP), find a cure and overcome the challenges created by epilepsy through efforts including education, advocacy and research to accelerate ideas into therapies. The Foundation works to ensure that people with seizures have the opportunities to live their lives to their fullest potential. **For additional information, please visit epilepsy.com or call us at 1.800.332.1000.**



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