

# SHAVE FOR A CURE

## WHERE DOES YOUR MONEY GO?

When you raise money for Shave for a Cure, you make a life-changing difference to the six Kiwis who are diagnosed with a blood cancer every day.

Leukaemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand (LBC) receives no Government funding, so your support is vital to ensure we continue to grow our service for the estimated 21,000 Kiwi families affected by blood cancers - leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma, as well as other blood conditions.

### Our work encompasses:



**Support** - Actively supporting over 4,000 patients and families.

**Every day:** Contact with 40 patients or family members providing personalised support around their condition.

**Every week:** Distributing 36 family assistance vouchers to ease the burden of not being able to work due to treatment.

**Every year:** Holding 200 education and support groups which help reduce the isolation many patients feel when they are diagnosed and break down myths about their disease.



### Research

Funding the Leukaemia & Blood Cancer Research Unit at the University of Auckland. This is committed to supporting research to find better treatments and cures.

In 2016 we awarded 31 LBC Grants totaling over \$206,000 for research grants, travel, and summer studentships to health professionals working in haematology.



### Education/Information

Producing free comprehensive information for families including 29 information booklets, 10 fact sheets, 4 newsletters and an all-inclusive website.

Holding a Blood Cancer Patient Forum for patients, caregivers and families to come together for seminars on topics relating to their disease and a chance to meet people in similar situations.



### Advocacy

Ensuring all our patients have the access to the best treatment and care available. We have regular ongoing conversations with Ministers, MP's, health officials and health related bodies to achieve this.

For more detailed information about our work  
visit [leukaemia.org.nz](http://leukaemia.org.nz)

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our mission is to care, our vision is to cure

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