



NORD[®]
National Organization
for Rare Disorders

PROGERIA & PROGEROID LAMINOPATHIES

What is the purpose of this program?

NORD's Progeria & Progeroid Laminopathies Patient Assistance Program offers eligible individuals financial support when faced with limited resources to pay for out-of-pocket healthcare costs including:

- Health insurance deductibles, copayments & coinsurance costs for the care and treatment of progeria or progeroid laminopathies including:
 - Medical appointments & consults
 - Physician prescribed FDA approved medications
 - Physician prescribed laboratory and radiology services
 - Physical and/or occupational therapy
 - Durable medical and/or adaptive equipment

COPAY PROGRAM



Who is eligible to apply?

This program is designed to help patients who:

- Have a diagnosis of progeria or progeroid laminopathies
- Have health insurance through public health insurance such as : Medicare, Medicaid, Tricare & other state/federal sponsored health insurance
- Are a United States citizen or U.S. resident of six (6) months or greater
- Fall within the Program's financial guidelines & adhere to NORD application requirements



What is the application process?

Awards are granted on a first come, first served basis. Patients may be referred to the program by their health care provider, their case managers, or they may self-refer.

The RareCare[®] Patient Services Representative will guide the applicant through the application process, verify eligibility for inclusion in the Progeria & Progeroid Laminopathies Program, determine financial eligibility using our Electronic Income Verification System (EIV) and award assistance.

NORD is Here for You

NORD, a 501(c)(3) organization, is a patient advocacy organization dedicated to individuals with rare diseases and the organizations that serve them. NORD, along with its more than 300 patient organization members, is committed to the identification, treatment, and cure of rare disorders through programs of education, advocacy, research, and patient services.

NORD was founded by families struggling to obtain access to treatments and whose advocacy for change led to the passage of the Orphan Drug Act in 1983. NORD assists eligible patients (those with medical and financial needs) in affording the treatments and medical services their healthcare professionals have prescribed.

Alone we are rare. Together we are strong.[®]

How do I get more information and apply?

Contact NORD's Progeria & Progeroid Laminopathies Program


Monday-Thursday 8:30am – 7:00pm ET

Friday 8:30 am – 6:00 pm ET

 203.763.4717

 475.557.5183

 progeria-progeroid@rarediseases.org

 US MAIL to: NORD
Attention: Progeria & Progeroid
Laminopathies Program
7 Kenosia Avenue
Danbury, CT 06810

What kinds of assistance can I request from NORD?

NORD's program can assist eligible individuals with expenses in a number of categories:

- The Progeria & Progeroid Laminopathies Copay Program assists eligible individuals who have public health insurance with funding to cover health insurance deductibles, copayments & coinsurance costs associated with the care of progeria & progeroid laminopathies diagnoses.
- Some examples of these expenses may be:
 - > *medical expenses paid toward health insurance deductible*
 - > *copayment for a medical office visit*
 - > *out-of-pocket cost for medications prescribed by your physician to manage your diagnosis*
 - > *a coinsurance payment for a physician prescribed laboratory or radiological exam*
 - > *a copay for durable medical or adaptive equipment*

Once a patient is accepted into the assistance program(s) how long are they eligible?

Copay awards are issued for a calendar year.

Patients are encouraged to reapply annually if continued assistance is needed.

How does the payment or reimbursement process work?

Copay awards may be paid by NORD with appropriate documentation or reimbursed to the patient in accordance with appropriate receipts and documentation.

All claims submitted for reimbursement must be provided within 30 days of date of service and include receipts or other evidence of payment, such as a credit card statement.

Reimbursements will be made within ten (10) business days of receipt by NORD.

What happens if an applicant does not meet the criteria of the Electronic Income Verification?

The RareCareSM Patient Services Representative will offer to e-mail, fax, or mail the brief program application and disclosure forms to the patient. The applicant may then complete the application, sign the disclosure form, provide the appropriate financial documentation to verify financial need, and return them via fax, email, or USPS mail.

How does NORD demonstrate compliance with regulations required of charities?

- NORD independently designs its patient assistance programs based on the needs of specific patient communities.
- No pharmaceutical company or donor controls or influences our programs.
- Our patient assistance decisions are based on consistently applied financial eligibility criteria and diagnosis only.
- Patients have their choice of health care provider, treatment and treatment location, and can make changes at any time.
- Patients' privacy and well-being are priorities at NORD. We do not share or provide patient names or data with donors, nor do we disclose or identify donors to patients. Patients are able to make the choices that are best for them because NORD's assistance covers all FDA-approved products available for a diagnosis. Our programs also help with more than medication: patients can use their funds to pay for other physician prescribed services related to their diagnosis such as, laboratory and diagnostic testing, physical and occupational therapy, durable medical and adaptive equipment, and travel to medical appointments.