



NORD[®]

National Organization
for Rare Disorders

AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS (ALS) TRAVEL & LODGING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

What is the purpose of this program?

Having a rare diagnosis is difficult. Adding in the cost of numerous consults and the complex care required to diagnose and manage it, makes a rare disease even harder.

This program strives to lessen the financial burden on people affected by amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS).

TRAVEL &
LODGING
ASSISTANCE



The ALS Travel & Lodging Assistance Program provides individuals diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis financial assistance for travel and lodging to ALS medical consults, care and treatment appointments.



Who is eligible for this program?

You must meet all of the following criteria to be eligible:

- Have a confirmed diagnosis of ALS.
- Have a scheduled ALS related medical appointment with a healthcare provider and provide verification of appointment documentation.
- Be a United States citizen or permanent resident
- Meet the program's financial eligibility criteria.

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

What is the application process?

Individuals may be referred to the program by their healthcare provider, their case managers, or they may self-refer.

Applications may be completed over the phone, by email or online through NORD's website.

A NORD Patient Services Representative will guide the applicant through the application process, and verify eligibility for inclusion in the program.

Awards are based on meeting eligibility criteria and funding availability, and are made on a first-come, first served basis.

How does this program assist?

NORD will book and prepay travel and lodging costs for the eligible individual's ALS-related medical appointment/consult.

- A NORD Patient Services Representative will review with you eligibility, covered expenses and award amount limits.

Expenses may include:

- Round trip economy class airfare for the patient and up to one traveling companion.
- Hotel accommodations for up to two nights.
- Ground transportation.


Receipts & Reimbursement:

- NORD will book and prepay when possible travel expenses; when not possible, eligible expenses will be reimbursed upon patient submission of receipts.
- Mileage, toll and parking reimbursement for eligible ALS related appointments, if a personal vehicle is used for transportation. Mileage is based on Google maps and is reimbursed at the current IRS rate.

How do I get more information and apply?

Contact NORD's ALS T&L Assistance Program

Monday-Friday 8:30 am – 6:00 pm ET

 203-794-6992

 203-702-4215

 ALS@rarediseases.org

The quickest way to apply is on NORD's website at:
bit.ly/patient-assist

Scroll down to Acute Lateral Sclerosis and click Apply .

US MAIL to: NORD: ALS Program
7 Kenosia Avenue
Danbury, CT 06810

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.

