

Eligibility Guidelines for Families

Family Weekends Eligibility:

Patients 17 years and younger within 3 years of treatment (5 for bone marrow transplants), bereaved families with children 16 and younger, and active BRASS families. Those who are past 3 (5) years treatment are welcome on a space-available basis but must fit the age requirements.

** Please note that the person who makes the family eligible must be in attendance. For example, if an active BRASS family is registered for a family weekend and the patient is 18 or over, the sibling must be in attendance.*

Who counts as family?

Events are open only to *immediate* family members living within the patient's home. Events are not open to extended family members or friends unless otherwise specified.

Who counts as a former camper's family?

Former campers are invited to attend Reunion Family Weekend and the annual Holiday Party. In this case, the same guidelines apply – a (former) camper's immediately family living within the home only. For example, this could be your parents if you are still living at home, or it could be your spouse and children if you live independently.

Parents' Getaway Weekend Eligibility:

This retreat is open to bereaved parents and parents of any child 25 years and younger who have been treated for cancer in the past 3 years (5 for bone marrow transplants). This weekend includes parents of our YACers – Young Adults with Cancer – who are still living at home, especially those who are dealing with late effects.

Scholarships to Waive Registration Fees:

Scholarships to cover minimal registration fees are available only for eligible families. Non-eligible families or campers who attend on a space-available basis are required to pay the event registration fee.

Mailings:

Brochures are mailed to "eligible" families only. Those outside of eligibility are welcome to download the brochures from our website (www.specialove.org), or call the office to inquire about space and/or register.

Fundraising and Special Events:

Special Love holds a number of special events (such as the annual gala and golf tournament) that are open to anyone who wishes to attend. You are encouraged to spread the word and extend an invitation to these events to extended family and friends!