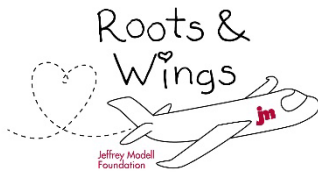


# Jeffrey Modell Foundation



## Roots & Wings Program

The Jeffrey Modell Foundation's "Roots & Wings" program was created to support families of children diagnosed with life-threatening Primary Immunodeficiency (PI) who require lifesaving medical care far from home. The program offers **travel assistance (Wings)** and **support for related expenses (Roots)** to alleviate the financial and emotional burdens of accessing specialized care.

These patients often require transportation to specialized centers where they might reside while undergoing treatment. We would like to make life easier, reduce their burden, and enable as many children as possible to have a second chance at life.

There is no fee of any kind. If you would like to apply to "Roots & Wings," please ask your physician to fill out the application below and email it to us at [info@jmfworld.org](mailto:info@jmfworld.org)

[Download the Roots & Wings application](#)

## Roots & Wings Program Policies:

### Eligibility Criteria

To qualify for the Roots & Wings program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. **Medical Condition:** The child must be diagnosed with a serious or life-threatening Primary Immunodeficiency requiring advanced treatment, such as stem cell transplant or gene therapy.
2. **Specialized Care:** The patient must be traveling to and from a specialized center for lifesaving treatment.
3. **Application Submission:** The treating physician must complete and submit the application, including details about the medical diagnosis, the necessity for travel, and the recommended institution for treatment.
4. **Financial Need:** Families must demonstrate financial need through a detailed description provided with the application.

### Contact Information

For inquiries or assistance with the application process, please contact us at:

- **Email:** [info@jmfworld.org](mailto:info@jmfworld.org)

## Covered Services

The Roots & Wings program provides the following assistance:

1. **Travel Expenses:**
  - Airfare, train, or bus tickets for the patient and one parent/guardian.
  - Transportation to and from medical facilities.
2. **Housing Support:**
  - Assistance with securing accommodations, such as Ronald McDonald House or Hospital Inn housing options.
3. **Additional Support:**
  - (on a case-by-case basis).
  - Emergency travel arrangements if unforeseen circumstances arise.

**Note:** Assistance is subject to availability of program resources and approval of submitted documentation.

## Application Process

1. **Application Submission:**
  - The treating physician must complete the **Roots & Wings Application** form, which includes:
    - Patient and guardian personal details.
    - Medical diagnosis and rationale for travel.
    - Financial need documentation.
  - Email completed applications to [info@jmfworld.org](mailto:info@jmfworld.org).
2. **Review Process:**
  - The application will be reviewed by the Jeffrey Modell Foundation within 7-10 business days.
  - Additional documentation may be requested if needed.
3. **Notification:**
  - Physician and families will be notified via email once a decision is made.

## Program Conditions

1. **No Fees:** The Roots & Wings program is a fully humanitarian initiative, and there is no cost to apply or participate.
2. **Non-Transferable:** Assistance is provided exclusively to the approved patient and their immediate guardian(s).
3. **Compliance:** Families must comply with the policies and terms set forth by the program, as well as any requirements of the travel and accommodation providers.
4. **Privacy:** All personal and medical information submitted will be kept confidential and used solely for program purposes.

## Indemnification Policy

The recipient of assistance through the Roots & Wings program (hereinafter referred to as "Recipient") agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Jeffrey Modell Foundation, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and affiliates (collectively, the "Foundation") from and against any and all claims, liabilities, damages, losses, or expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs) arising out of or in any way connected with the Recipient's participation in the Roots & Wings program. This indemnification includes, but is not limited to, any claims arising from the Recipient's actions, omissions, or use of the assistance provided by the Foundation. The Recipient acknowledges that the Foundation provides assistance on an "as-is" basis and makes no warranties or representations regarding the suitability or effectiveness of the assistance provided.