

Los Angeles

June 7-8, 2024



Please note, travel and lodging assistance applies only to those attending the Living Rare Forum or the forum and the Rare Impact Awards. Scholarship is not available for the Rare Impact Awards alone.

Travel and Lodging Assistance Application Criteria:

All patients, caregivers and their families are eligible for travel assistance to attend the Living Rare Forum, so long as their circumstances meet NORD's travel and lodging assistance requirements. These requirements include:

- Applicants must be first-time in-person attendees of the Living Rare Forum. Families who have attended the event in-person in the past are not eligible for travel assistance. Families who have attended virtually in the past are eligible to apply for travel assistance to attend the conference in person.
- The diagnosis affecting the applicant must be considered rare, which means a disease or condition that affects fewer than 200,000 Americans. Cumulatively, there are more than 7,000 rare diseases affecting more than 30 million Americans. To find whether or not your disease is considered rare, please utilize the NORD Rare Disease Database.
- Preference will be given to applicants who live within 1,600 miles of the Hilton Universal City Hotel.

During the application process, you will be asked to select the benefits of assistance that would be most helpful to you, including a hotel room, mileage reimbursement, a bus/train/airline ticket, etc. NORD may only be able to provide a portion of the requested assistance. All awards are made at NORD's discretion.

FAQ FOR TRAVEL & LODGING ASSISTANCE APPLICANTS

Where can I learn more about the program?

The Living Rare Forum schedule, detailed agenda and location information are available [here](#).

What is the timeline for travel & lodging assistance?

January 9, 2024: Travel & Lodging Assistance application opens

February 6, 2024: Travel & Lodging Assistance application closes

February 15-20, 2024: Notification of Awards to applicants will be made by email from events@rarediseases.org

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What if my expenses total more than my travel and lodging assistance will cover?

While NORD tries to fulfill all requests for travel assistance, our funds are limited. Attendees that receive travel assistance from NORD are responsible for all expenses incurred above the total amount of the awarded assistance.

Is the cost of Living Rare Forum registration waived if I receive assistance?

Registration is free for patients and caregivers!

How much does it cost to attend both the Living Rare Forum and the Rare Impact Awards?

EVENT PRICING	Early Bird Pricing	Standard Rate
	(By 4/30/24)	(By 6/7/24)
Patient / Caregiver	No fee	No fee
NORD Member Organization / Student	\$100	\$125
Professional Advocate / Academic / Physician / Government	\$225	\$250
NORD Corporate Council Members	\$1,300	\$1,500
Industry (Pharma, Service Provider, Co-Pay Foundation)	\$1,500	\$1,700

Pricing includes all activities. Credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover) are accepted.

Register by April 30, 2024 to receive a complimentary forum t-shirt.

Do I have to make my own travel/hotel arrangements?

Yes, you are responsible for arranging your flights. Please wait to receive the notification of your award to ensure you are able to cover any additional costs that are not part of your award.

NORD is partnering with Delta and United airlines to offer discounted airline tickets. If travel is available from your location on either airline, be sure to book via [LRLS Travel and Pricing page](#) to receive these discounts.

You are also responsible for booking your hotel room. A link to book your hotel room will be sent with the notification of award email. A credit card will be required for booking and for incidental charges, but the amount of your award will be transferred to the master account (Room & Tax only).

May I stay at a different hotel other than the Hilton Universal City Hotel?

No. If you are being offered lodging as a part of your assistance package, you must stay at the Hilton Universal City Hotel. You will be required to present a credit card at the time of booking and upon arrival to cover any incidental charges. Cost of room and tax will be transferred to the master bill.