The ACPMP Research Foundation is an IRS-designated 501(c)3 charitable organization. Created in 2008 by a community of individuals affected by Pseudomyxoma Peritonei (PMP) & Appendix Cancer.

Our organization exists to support and fund promising research and education that moves us toward a cure for appendix cancer, PMP, and related peritoneal surface malignancies (PSM).

We also endeavor to support the appendix cancer community of patients and their caregivers by providing the latest, most accurate information.

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WHAT WE DO.

ACPMP has awarded $1,300,000 in the form of twenty-seven research grants since 2009. We provide two $50,000, 2-year grants each year.

ACPMP provides scholarships to physicians attending relevant medical conferences.

ACPMP partners with institutions treating appendix cancer and PMP to host regional patient and physician focused educational symposiums two to four times per year. These events highlight the HIPEC program at the host institution for the local medical community and give both patients and physicians the opportunity to hear about the latest developments in the treatment of these diseases. It also provides patients with the opportunity to connect with other patients in person.

Established the first centralized charitable organization to fund appendix cancer and PMP research.

ACPMP plays a leading role in the dissemination of accurate information regarding PMP and appendix cancer both to the patient and medical communities.

Create initiatives and resources for patients, caregivers and medical professionals with information in managing/treating this disease.

- New Patient Guide
- Dedicated Clinical Trials page
- ACPMP Patient Registry
- Patient support pages
- Find a Specialist tool

WHAT YOU CAN DO.

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