

# Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation's Application for Medical Nutrition Products

The Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation provides Abbott Medical Nutrition Products at no cost to patients experiencing financial difficulties. Eligible patients typically have no healthcare coverage for the requested product and do not have access to alternative sources of coverage or funding. All applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis to support the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation's purpose of providing products at no cost to individuals in need. **The Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation's Medical Nutrition Products Patient Assistance Program is designed to supplement medical nutrition product needs.**

## Checklist for submitting an application:

- Ensure all sections of the application are completed. Incomplete applications will be returned for further information.
- Attach current proof of income (tax return, W2, pay stub, or benefit awards letter) for all in household.
- Patient's signature/date is required on the application.
- Prescriber's signature/date is required on the application.
- Provide copy of Medicaid and/or Social Security denial, if applicable.
- Provide copy of private insurance denial letter OR the published policy that states nutritional products are not a covered benefit, if applicable.

## Fax or mail the completed application and documentation to:

Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation  
PO Box 270  
Somerville, NJ 08876  
**Fax: 866-483-1305**  
Phone: 800-222-6885

Upon receipt of a completed application, the prescriber will be notified of program eligibility. The approved supply of product will be shipped to the patient's home. It is the responsibility of the prescriber's office or the patient to reorder 3 weeks prior to the patient requiring further supply.

Please contact us at 1-800-222-6885 Mon-Fri 8am-5pm CST for additional assistance.



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Applications are available by calling 1-800-222-6885 or visiting [www.abbottpatientassistancefoundation.org](http://www.abbottpatientassistancefoundation.org)

Patient Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male  Female  Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth / /  Social Security Number --

Are you enrolled in Medicare  Yes  No (if YES, check all that apply)  Part A  Part B  Part D(name) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have prescription coverage for Nutrition supplies?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

Are you covered thru a state Medicaid Program?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_

Total Monthly Income for your entire household \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Attach the most current copies of income documentation for you and all dependent persons.)

I understand that any assistance in the form of product at no cost is contingent upon my ability to meet the eligibility criteria for the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation. In the event that I am eligible for Foundation assistance, I acknowledge that this assistance is temporary and that I may be asked to reapply at designated intervals by the Foundation. I also understand that the Foundation assistance may change at any time or be discontinued at the end of the calendar year without any notice to me. I agree that I will not seek reimbursement for any products dispensed under the Foundation from any government program or third party insurer. I certify that the information I have provided in this form is accurate and complete. I understand that by completing this form I am not guaranteed eligibility to receive medication from the Foundation. I agree that I will notify the Foundation if my insurance or financial situation changes. The Foundation will use my information for purposes of determining patient assistance eligibility. I understand that I need to give my authorization to take part in the Foundation's Patient Assistance Program ("PAP") (should I qualify). I know I may cancel this authorization at any time by writing to the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation at P.O. Box 270 Somerville, NJ 08876. If I cancel this Authorization, I can no longer participate in the PAP. This authorization shall be valid for 10 years from the date of the signature on this form. I authorize the Foundation to use my information: (i) to determine eligibility for the PAP, (ii) to account for my withdrawal if I decide to stop participating in the PAP, (iii) to administer and maintain the high quality of the PAP, and (iv) as otherwise required or permitted by law. I agree that the Foundation does not have any liability in providing PAP services to me

Patient's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people in your household (including yourself)  Number in household under 18

Representative For Purposes of Program:  
I permit the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation to speak with the following person(s) about my application and/or care and sign any documents related to the Program on my behalf:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

### Personal Representative Authorization (if Applicable):

Note: If the Applicant is unable to sign, is under the age of 18, or has designated signature authority, the Applicant's Personal Representative may sign this Form. However, only certain individuals may qualify as the Applicant's Personal Representative for purposes of this Authorization. An Applicant's Representative must have the requisite knowledge and information regarding the Applicant's financial and health care status to verify that all responses provided are accurate. State law may prescribe who can be a Personal Representative for purposes of this Authorization. A person or entity in the supply chain of the product to be received through the Foundation, including a health care provider or pharmacy receiving the medicines at no cost, may not be named a Personal Representative. If Applicant's Personal Representative is a consumer assistance or charitable organization, please list name of entity and purpose of entity under Relationship to Applicant.

Patient's Representative Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescriber name and professional designation \_\_\_\_\_ DEA# (if none available, State license #) \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Office contact person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Fax number \_\_\_\_\_

Product: \_\_\_\_\_ Flavor(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Administration  Oral  Tube

% Caloric Need to be met with Product \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Total Caloric Need of Patient (Daily): \_\_\_\_\_ Number per day: \_\_\_\_\_ (Cans)

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Primary Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_ Indications for Use: \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide both a primary diagnosis (i.e. HIV/Aids, diabetes, etc.) and the indications for use (i.e. involuntary weight loss, cachexia, malnutrition, etc.) that requires the need for nutrition therapy. Applications for Metabolic products and Elecare require a primary diagnosis only.

### Note: Prescriber may not delegate signature authority. (STAMPS NOT ACCEPTED)

- Authorization for Release of Health Information: By signing this form, I represent to the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation that I have obtained all necessary Federal and state authorizations and consents from my patient to allow me to release health information to the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation and its contracted third parties.
- Physician/Care Coordinator Verification: I verify that the information provided is current, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and certify that I am authorized to receive medications at the shipping location identified in this application. I verify that my State License is currently in good standing. I further certify that I will notify the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation (the "Foundation") in writing immediately if the status of my State License Number registration changes. If this applicant is eligible for the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation assistance, I understand that the Foundation will send the medication to my office for dispensing to the patient. The Foundation reserves the right to request additional information if needed and to change or discontinue the assistance at any time, without notice. By signing this form, I certify that I am prescribing the aforementioned medication for an individual participating in the Foundation. I acknowledge that I shall not seek reimbursement for any medication dispensed hereunder from any government program or third party insurer. I also understand that the applicant's acceptance by the Abbott Patient Assistance Foundation is not made in exchange for any explicit or implicit agreement or understanding that Abbott Product will be used, purchased, leased, ordered, prescribed, recommended, or arranged for or provided formulary or other preferential or qualifying status. I understand that I may not delegate signature authority. I certify that treatment with this medication is medically necessary.

Prescriber's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Notice to Health Care Providers and Insurers: This form of authorization may not comply with all applicable Federal and state laws governing disclosure of the applicant's information to the Foundation and its contracted third parties. The Foundation urges all entities disclosing information about the applicant to consult with legal counsel prior to relying on this form.