



The Cushing's Support & Research Foundation, Inc.

Dear

I am excited to be writing to ask for your support of the Cushing's Support and Research Foundation (CSRF). As many of you know, I suffered from a little known disorder called Cushing's and am now a Member of the CSRF. Because Cushing's is a relatively rare disorder, doctors often don't consider Cushing's as a possible diagnosis and many patients endure years of debilitating symptoms prior to diagnosis. While Cushing's is treatable, recovery often requires a substantial period of time and patients such as myself benefit greatly from being in contact with each other. The CSRF has been of **extreme help to me** in providing much needed information and support. I strongly feel that increasing awareness in the medical community and general public can help other patients obtain an earlier diagnosis. **An earlier diagnosis could prevent life long disabilities due to Cushing's and potential death if Cushing's is not diagnosed soon enough.**

The CSRF is a non-profit organization, founded in 1995, with the goals of providing information and support to patients and their families, increasing awareness in the medical community and general public, and eventually, supporting research. Since its inception, the CSRF has published a newsletter, provided much needed information and patient networking services, exhibited at medical conferences and within the last several years, has launched a much needed, very informative web site. The CSRF, which has been immensely helpful to me, has a Medical Advisory Board comprised of experts in the field of Cushing's and is an Associate Member of the National Organization of Rare Disorders.

At present, the CSRF is staffed entirely by volunteers, and exists solely from membership dues and private donations. The CSRF would like to expand its efforts in the awareness arena to help patients get diagnosed sooner. I firmly believe in this cause and am asking for your tax-deductible donation to help make that goal a reality. With your support, the CSRF will be able to develop training materials for physicians, including Pediatricians (yes, children get Cushing's too!), implement some direct mail or advertising campaigns, and hire part-time staff to expand patient support services. A few years down the road, the CSRF would like to be in the position to sponsor research. **But, the CSRF can't take on any of these crucial activities without your help.** I would sincerely appreciate your support, so please consider sending in the donation form below. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

In gratitude,

P.S. For more information on Cushing's and the CSRF, please visit: www.CSRF.net

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Yes, I would like to support your efforts by making a tax-deductible donation. My check for \$ _____ is enclosed.

\$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$1,000 \$2,500 \$5,000 \$10,000 \$25,000

Yes, I would like my donation to appear in the CSRF newsletter No, please don't list my donation

In Honor of _____ In Memory of _____

Yes, I will make a commitment to donate at least this amount: for 1 more year for 2 years for 3 years

With a donation of \$30.00 or more, you may elect to receive the CSRF newsletter: Yes, I would like to receive the CSRF newsletter.

Thank You for Your Support! Please mail with payment to: CSRF 65 E. India Row, #22B, Boston, MA 02110