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Financial support for young cancer patients

Thanks to everyone who has written to me about financial support for young cancer patients.

From the day a young person receives the difficult news that they have cancer, the financial impact can be felt immediately. The first three months of treatment for young cancer patients are extremely distressing and expensive with treatment starting immediately and often a long way from home. However, young cancer patients have to wait three months before they can apply for Personal Independent Payments, the benefits designed by the government to help with the cost of an illness or disability.

It is extremely concerning that young cancer patients can't access the financial support they are entitled to, at a time when they most desperately need it. I will therefore raise this issue with the Government to ask what steps they are asking to ensure that the benefits system is providing adequate financial support for young cancer patients. You can keep track of my contributions in Parliament [here](#).

Thanks again to all those who have contacted me about financial support for young cancer supporters.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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