ALZHEIMER'S OF CENTRAL ALABAMA

Scholarship Application for Continence Products

BEFORE COMPLETING APPLICATION PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:

- **ACA Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, color, religion, sex or age.**
- **ACA selects scholarship recipients based on need.**
- **All scholarship recipients must have a caregiver.**
- **All applications will be kept on file for one year.**

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS APPLICATION FORM. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE CONSIDERED.

Please print clearly or type

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PATIENT: **DATE** ___________________

Patient's Name ____

Address ____

____ **County** _________________

Telephone Number ____________________________ **Date of Birth** ____________________

Diagnosis ____

Length of Illness ____

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CAREGIVER:

Caregiver's Name ____

Address ____

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Home # ________________________ **Work Number #** ______________________________

Cell # __________________________ **Email** _______________________________________

Caregiver Date of Birth ___________________ **Relationship to Patient** ________________

CAREGIVER VIGILANCE

The following questions concern the time you spend supervising, or just "being around" for your patient.

Does the patient live with the primary caregiver?
o No o Yes

How long has the primary caregiver been providing care for the patient?
o 1-3 Years o 3-5 Years o 5-10 Years o More than 10 years

How many people reside in the home? _________

What are their relationships to the patient? Check all that apply**:**
o Spouse o Sibling o Son o Daughter o Daughter or Son in Law

o Grandchildren o Other (specify) _____________________

How often do you (or the primary caregiver) get a break?
o Never o Once a month o Once a week o Daily

Are you able to leave your patient home alone, that is with no one else there?
❑ No ❑ Yes

Can your patient be left alone in a room as long as someone is in the house?
o No o Yes

About how many hours a day do you feel the need to "be there" or "on duty" to care for your patient?

______ Hours

About how many hours a day do you estimate that you are actually doing things for your patient?

______ Hours

FORMAL SERVICES

The following questions concern services the patient may be receiving.

Is the patient on hospice care?
o No o Yes

Has the patient ever been on hospice care?
o No o Yes

Is the patient a veteran or a spouse of a veteran?
o No o Yes

Does the patient receive any VA benefits?

o No o Yes

If so what benefits? ____

Does the patient receive SSI?

o No o Yes

Does the patient receive Medicaid Waiver?

o No o Yes

If so list the name and phone number of their caseworker: ____________________

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The following questions concern the services that you or your patient may have received in the past month from an agency or from someone paid privately to provide this help.

	No	**Yes**	**In the past month how often did you make use of this of this service?**
Do you or your patient have a homemaker who helps with shopping, cleaning, laundry, preparing meals, etc.?	❑	❑	________ times/month
Do you or your patient have a home health aide come to the home to help with personal care, i.e., bathing, feeding, and health care tasks?	❑	❑	________ times/month
Do you or your patient have a visiting nurse come to check medications, blood pressure or other medical needs?	❑	❑	________ times/month
Do you or your patient have a hospice service visiting?	❑	❑	times/month ________

PATIENT HEALTH - Does your patient have any of the following health problems?

High Blood Pressure	❑ No	❑ Yes
Heart Condition	❑ No	❑ Yes
Chronic Lung Disease	❑ No	❑ Yes
Diabetes	❑ No	❑ Yes
Cancer	❑ No	❑ Yes
Stroke	❑ No	❑ Yes
Urinary Tract Infections	❑ No	❑ Yes
Falls	❑ No	❑ Yes

Does the patient have a diagnosis of Alzheimer’s disease or dementia?

o No o Yes

Please give the name and phone number of the patient’s primary physician: ______________

Does the patient suffer from memory problems?

o No o Yes

Does the patient have trouble with any of the following?

o Bathing o Dressing o Toileting o Walking o Eating

Does the patient take any medication for sleep or mood?

o No o Yes

BEHAVIORAL ISSUES

Does the patient wander or get lost?

o No o Yes

Does the patient resist attempts to care for them?

o No o Yes

Is the patient verbally abusive?

o No o Yes

Does the patient sleep through the night?

o No o Yes

Is the patient willing to take their medications?

o No o Yes

Is the patient cooperative when being bathed and dressed?

o No o Yes

PATIENT ACTIVITY STATUS

Activity Status:

Is confined to the bed ❑ No ❑ Yes

If no, also answer the other questions about activity status

	Without Help	With Help
Able to get out of the house	❑	❑
Walks around in the house	❑	❑
Gets from the bed to a chair, wheelchair, or bedside commode	❑	❑

ELIMINATION

Elimination Patterns:

	Yes	Sometimes	Never
Able to control bowel function	❑	❑	❑
Able to control bladder function	❑	❑	❑

How much do you estimate you spend on incontinence products per month?

❑ 0 - $50
❑ $51 – 100
❑ $101 – 150
❑ $151 – 200

Do you receive any assistance with diapers or supplies?

o No o Yes

If yes please check all that apply**:**

O Hospice O VA O Alabama Cares O Other (specify):

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CAREGIVER HEALTH

Please rate your overall physical health**:**

o Good o Fair o Poor

Please rate your mood or mental health**:**

o Good o Fair o Poor

Do any of the following problems interfere with you giving care to your patient?

❑ Heart
❑ Arthritis/joint problem
❑ Loss of sleep
❑ Other (specify) ____________________________________
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Please describe any health problems that interfere with your ability to care for the patient:

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HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Please check the sources of income for ALL adults living in the home:

- o Employment o Social Security o Support from children or other family
- o Aid for Dependent Children (AFDC) o VA o Work related pensions
- o Bank interest, retirement accounts, rental property, investments, etc.

What category best describes the yearly total household income before taxes of ALL adults in the house?

- ❑ Less than $5,000
- ❑ $5,000 - $9,999
- ❑ $10,000 - $14,999
- ❑ $15,000 - $19,999
- o $20,000- $29,000
- ❑ $30,000 - $39,999
- ❑ $40,000 - $49,999
- ❑ $50,000 and above

How hard is it for you to pay for the very basics like food, housing, medical care, and heating? Would you say it is:

- ❑ Not difficult at all
- ❑ Somewhat difficult
- ❑ Not very difficult
- ❑ Very difficult

Please list any health related costs related to your patient that you must pay for each month. (For example, prescriptions, incontinence products, adult diapers, etc.)

	Item	Approximate Cost
1.		
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This page is to be completed by the primary caregiver or referral source.

Please use this section to give insight into the patient's circumstances. Give particular emphasis to financial need and need for formal support services.

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Signature: ______________________________ **Date:** __________

Print Name: ______________________________

Position/Title: ______________________________

Telephone Number(s): __________________________

SIGNATURE PAGE

Please sign and return with application

I verify that all information contained in the application is correct and valid. I understand that at any time my scholarship could be revoked if any information found in the application is deemed to be invalid.

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Caregiver Signature **Date**

I hereby give authorization for the release of information to the ACA Scholarship Committee.

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(Patient Name)

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Caregiver Signature **Date**

Before returning application, check to be certain that:

1) **All questions have been answered**
2) **The signature page has been signed**
3) **Reference sheet (page 7) is complete**

Please send forms containing above items to:

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