

## I Am Supporting Someone With Psoriatic Disease

You are a valuable part of our community. Psoriatic disease is much more manageable with the help of compassionate people like you.

## What is a care partner?

A care partner may be a spouse, partner, child, parent, relative, friend, or neighbor. No matter what your relationship is, a <u>care partner</u> helps manage day-to-day life with this chronic disease. Some care partners are fully immersed in caring for a person, while others offer an occasional helping hand. The level of support a care partner provides can vary greatly, but may include things like arranging medical appointments and assisting with medications (for example, giving injections or getting prescriptions filled).

## How can I best help someone with psoriatic disease?

It is important for a care partner to learn about the disease and how it can impact a person's body and life. From making treatment decisions to talking about the disease, care partners can offer support and be strong advocates for their loved one's health.

## How can someone with psoriatic disease help their care partner?

A person with psoriatic disease can teach their care partner about psoriatic disease, treatment options, and emotional impacts. Remember, the more a care partner knows, the better they can help.

Also, the stress of caring for someone can take a toll on a care partner's physical and emotional health. It is important for care partners to practice self-care.