The Patient Education and Empowerment Department creates resources that address a range of topics from medical debt to insurance access and disability benefits. The resources we produce are reflective of real-world experiences that meet the needs of the patients PAF served.

You asked & we listened. Using questions our case managers get asked and analyzing our website keyword searches each month, we address what patients want to know now.

**SPOTLIGHT APRIL: Disability and the Importance of Understanding Your Finances**

When you are diagnosed with a critical illness and can no longer work, you may wonder how you will be able to keep up with your living expenses. It is overwhelming and scary to think that your income or finances may change, but thankfully, you may be able to investigate resources like Social Security Disability to help you manage.

This disability training provides a step-by-step walkthrough to help you understand what a disability is, what types of disability coverage is available, submitting a strong application for disability, what to expect after the application and approval process, appealing a disability denial, and more. This free 7-module training series should take a little over 1 hour to view. Register here: https://bit.ly/disabilityseries

To complement the training series, PAF created an extensive disability guidebook. We address many of the same topics in this guidebook and hope it can act as a quick reference for questions. Please click here to learn more: https://bit.ly/Guidedisability

Patient Advocate Foundation also understands that having a good grasp on how to manage your finances after you receive a diagnosis is crucial. We are creating a new financial literacy course that walks you through how to navigate your budget after you receive a critical diagnosis. Check back in the next few months to learn more.