



## New Support Group Application Form

Please send this form back to Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) to Karie Mulkowsky at [kmulkowsky@foodallergy.org](mailto:kmulkowsky@foodallergy.org). The support group will then be included on FARE's website under the Education section where the Support Group List is located.

FARE is not responsible for any contact, private or commercial, that you may receive as a result of posting your support group information. Please be aware that we have no control over who will contact you. It is suggested that you set up an email account that does not include any personal information, as your group's contact information will be publicly posted and given out as a resource for local community members seeking a support group. *Although support groups are recognized as members of our FARE Support Group Network, each support group is a separate entity. No support group is considered a division of FARE or FARE affiliate.*

Also note your group must meet the following criteria to be listed on our website:

1. Must provide a letter of support from a board-certified allergist who serves as your medical advisor on said letterhead.  
Your medical advisor must also:
  - Sign an attestation with FARE agreeing to only support and promote research-documented testing and treatment methods for food allergies
  - Be licensed to practice medicine in your Support Group's state or a neighboring state
  - Recommit to Medical Advisor role and attestation terms once every three years, or Support Group is responsible for finding a new medical advisor.
2. Group leader have experience managing food allergies
3. Must be in existence a minimum of six months\*
4. Must hold a meeting once every three months (in-person, via webinar, or via teleconference) or facilitate meeting objectives via an active online forum that consists of a specific community-oriented user base\*
5. New groups must submit two testimonials from current members as to how the support group is beneficial to them.\*

Support groups must update their information on an annual basis in order to maintain the listing on the FARE website.

**Yes, please post the following group information** (by returning the support group application form, you agree to have your information posted in the FARE support directory at <http://www.foodallergy.org/support-groups>).

<b>Group Name:</b>
<b>Location:</b> City: State/Province: Country:
<b>Support Group Leader's Name (you may also include co-leaders in this section):</b>
<b>Phone Number:</b> (Phone number for FARE use only)
<b>Address:</b> (For the support group materials)
<b>Email address:</b>

<b>Website:</b> (If your group has a website)
<b>Facebook Page:</b> (If your group has a public Facebook page)
<b>How long has your group been active?</b>
<b>Medical Advisor's Name:</b> <b>Address:</b> <b>Phone number:</b> <b>Office Email address:</b> (If your group does not have a medical advisor, your support group information will NOT be posted on the FARE website. Medical advisors are necessary so that your group has a contact person to answer your medical questions. It is very important for your group to have 'fact based medical information', since there is so much false information, especially on the web. Medical advisors do not need to attend support group meetings).
<b>Briefly describe the focus, mission, or purpose of your support group:</b>

*FARE, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to include or exclude any Support Group from this listing at any time.*