

# Finding Coverage for Treatment Garments Under the LTA



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## Insurance Coverage for Garments: Pitfalls to Avoid

2025 Lighthouse Lymphedema Network Conference Speaker, Brandy McKeown, OTR/L, CLT-LANA, CLWT, Instructor, is a 23+ year specialist in treating Lymphedema and Wound Care in South Georgia. She is Director of Lymphedema at Rehabilitation Services and successfully manages multilocation clinics; having started each lymphedema program from scratch.

Brandy is currently serving as co-chair of the LIR (Lymphatic Integumentary Rehabilitation) of AVLS (American Vein and Lymphatic Society) and sits on the board for the World Alliance for Wound & Lymphedema Care (WAWLC). Brandy is also the CEO of International Lymphedema & Wound Training Institute of Tifton, GA.

Please join us at the 2025 Lighthouse Lymphedema Network conference, and bring your questions for Brandy McKeown!



Improving Lymphedema Care!

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### Bandages and Garments Funding Available to Support Underinsured Patients

#### **How to Apply for Lighthouse Grants**

The Lymphedema Treatment Act has improved insurance coverage for lymphedema treatment for many patients, but not everyone. The Lighthouse Lymphedema Network's Bandages and Garments (BAG) Fund is one of our most active programs. The BAG Fund assists underserved patients with lymphedema by providing financial assistance for bandages and garments necessary for an individual's successful self-care. Applicants must be



residents of Georgia, demonstrate financial need, and be under the care of a certified lymphedema therapist (CLT), who can recommend them for assistance.

The LLN receives a generous grant from the Georgia Alliance for Breast Cancer to aid patients with breast cancer-related lymphedema. Patients who have lymphedema for other reasons are supported by LLN fundraising. These patients may have lower extremity lymphedema, primary lymphedema or other types of cancer history.

**Therapists** with patients who are not insured for compression supplies, please contact **Janie Smith at darnofell@aol.com** for further information or for an application. The application process is easy to follow and complete. The therapist and patient fill out a short form and funds may be awarded based on financial need. A small co-charge may be required from the patient. The LLN wants to help therapists help patients get the products they need.

#### **Upcoming Events for Therapists, Patients, and Allies**

July 19: Sisters By Choice Pink Ribbon 5K Run/Walk in Atlanta

July 19-20: SuperSize Your Life Expo in Atlanta

October 4-5: Georgia Alliance for Breast Cancer 2-Day Walk in Atlanta

October 18-19: Lighthouse Lymphedema Network Conference in Atlanta

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