

My life has changed tremendously with immunoglobulin therapy. No more pneumonia, bronchitis, no more infections. I am alive. I got through school and college, got married, have two very healthy boys and a job. When I was diagnosed with primary immunodeficiency at 13 years old, I never thought any of that would happen,

Cheryl (US/Canada)

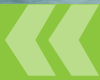


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Now, my primary immunodeficiency is not my enemy, it is my precious friend that I have to survive with every day and being thanks to the immunoglobulin treatments that make me feel and think: what a wonderful life and world is out there,

Maria (Cyprus)



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Immunoglobulin therapy is a life saver for my eight-year-old son Benjy. He would have a significantly reduced life expectancy and poor quality of life without it,

Michelle (UK)

Though it took a few years to get to a point where I felt healthy while on intravenous immunoglobulin (IVIg), eventually I got there and it was wonderful. Beginning the therapy fully changed my life,

Bryan (Canada)



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« Immunoglobulin therapy has allowed us to breathe. We live with a new, ever-present sense of awareness in order to keep our daughter healthy and protected, but we can laugh and celebrate each day with bright expectation of tomorrow,

Glenda mother of Kamille who lives with PI (Canada) »



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Intravenous immunoglobulin therapy was not an instant fix.

It took nearly a year before I began to feel so much better, less tired and so much healthier”,

Margaret (UK)



“After getting treatment, I wasn’t feeling tired anymore or sick all the time. I just wanted to have fun and enjoy my life”,

Maria (Cyprus)



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« This disease can be very isolating.

I would want to tell my family
and friends that I feel alone
without their support and wish
they would educate themselves
because their support is key,

Christina (US/Canada) »



« The fear that insurance won't
approve the treatment that
you need is very real,

Kathy (US/Canada) »



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Immunoglobulin replacement is a lifelong treatment,
(Vietnam)



We can grow up, study, work,
and have life-activities, just
like everyone else. We can be
a useful person to society,
(Vietnam)



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« I consider myself extremely lucky to have been diagnosed before having any irreversible damage to my organs, and to be able to get treatment once a month as needed. It is very important that we do all we can to raise awareness in our communities about PIs and the need for adequate diagnosis and treatment

(Argentina) »



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I do my own infusions of immunoglobulin at home and I love it,

Drew (UK)



I want to help patients take control over their condition so they don't feel limited by it. Having a PID means you will have periods of ill-health, however the immunoglobulin treatment combined with other regular medication help maintain me in a relatively good shape,

Andrew (UK)



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I started as a baby on daily immunoglobulin injections and I genuinely feel that such an early diagnosis and receiving immunoglobulin treatment from such an early age has enabled me to live as normal a life as possible,

Andrew (UK)



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We use subcutaneous immunoglobulin at home, this is much more convenient for us and our son as it is part of our normal family life,

Michelle and her 8 years old son Benjy (UK)



I have opted to have my intravenous immunoglobulin (IVIG) therapy in hospital. I prefer this option because I feel as though I am leaving my condition at the hospital and walking away from it for a few weeks,

Margaret (UK)



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