

## Notice of your intention

The nature of will-making is such that most often the donation PMRGCAuk receives is an unexpected windfall.

However, the knowledge that someone felt moved to remember PMRGCAuk and its work after their death is especially gratifying and we would welcome the opportunity to show our appreciation of your gift during your lifetime.

This has no binding legal consequences, does not limit your freedom to change your will in the future, and will be treated in the strictest confidence.

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- Name
  - Address
  - Postcode
  - Telephone No
  - Date

I am making a Pecuniary/Residuary/Specific legacy to PMRGCAuk in my will (please delete as applicable).

If you wish, you may give an indication of the approximate estimated value of your legacy, although this is by no means expected.

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**Please post this information, marked confidential, to:**

**Treasurer, BM PMRGCAuk  
London, WC1N 3XX.**

The letter will be treated in the strictest confidence and kept in a secure place by the treasurer.

Thank you!

## How will my legacy make a difference?

At PMRGCAuk we aim to ensure that as much as possible of our income, which largely comes from people who suffer or have suffered with these debilitating illnesses, is used to make real improvements and help people manage their condition better.

We operate a free helpline system, provide information packs to newly-diagnosed patients, and send out a regular magazine to our members and supporters. If you haven't already become a member, please contact us about it.

We have a growing network of support groups around the country, and our aim is that everyone with PMR or GCA should be able to access information and support as and when needed.

These are very under-researched diseases, and we work in partnership with clinicians and scientists, to increase knowledge and widen the range of diagnostic and treatment options.

For more information visit [www.pmrzca.org.uk](http://www.pmrzca.org.uk)

**Thank you for considering leaving a gift in your will to help others with PMR or GCA.**

## Contact us

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**Polymyalgia Rheumatica  
& Giant Cell Arteritis UK**

# Making a legacy

PMRGCAuk is the national charity supporting people in the UK affected by polymyalgia rheumatica (PMR) and giant cell arteritis (GCA)

**“Your pledge, no matter what size, will help PMRGCAuk plan ahead for research and support.”**

Lord Butler of Brockwell  
Patron, PMRGCAuk

## Leaving a legacy to benefit people who contract PMR and GCA

**PMRGCAuk is a lifeline for many patients with PMR or GCA.**

But there is a real danger that the work we do is taken for granted; that people believe we will always be there. However, we are run by a small team as well as volunteers, and we need financial support to maintain our work and grow. We never ask for payment to access our services and only request a very small membership fee. Our support of course is not free to deliver and we are determined to improve patient outcomes in the future.

We raise funds in all manner of ways in order to deliver our aims. Of these, the legacy – money left to PMRGCAuk in a will – is the one which produces the warmest sense of something shared by the giver and the receiver: that sense of caring so much about others during your lifetime that you wish to help them live with less pain and better quality of life in theirs.

Our charity was founded with a very generous legacy and we would not have been able to set up the helpline, website and support without that funding.

## How you can help us

By including PMRGCAuk among the beneficiaries mentioned in your will, you can play a direct part in helping to ensure our long-term success. It is a fantastic way to make a difference to a cause you feel passionately about.

### Types of Legacy

#### **Pecuniary legacy**

This is a fixed sum of money. The limitation of this type of gift is that its value decreases with subsequent rises in inflation.

#### **Residuary legacy**

This can be a bequest of the remainder, or a proportion of the remainder, of your estate after other legacies, Inheritance Tax, debts and expenses have been paid.

#### **Specific legacy**

You can also bequeath specific personal assets such as property, stocks and shares, art and antiques etc.

We always recommend consulting a solicitor to ensure that all the legal formalities are correctly followed and your will is valid.

## Suggested wording to take to your solicitor:

#### **Pecuniary legacies**

I give the sum of £..... (insert amount) to the charity known as PMRGCAuk (charity no. 1128723) absolutely for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of the treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my executors.

#### **Residuary legacies**

I give the residue (or ...% of the residue) of my estate to the charity known as PMRGCAuk (charity no. 1128723) absolutely and for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of the treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my executors.

#### **Specific legacies**

I give my ... (full description of item/ items and its/their location) to the charity known as PMRGCAuk (charity no. 1128723) absolutely and for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of the treasurer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my executors.

