

# Facts about **Bleeding Disorders** in Michigan

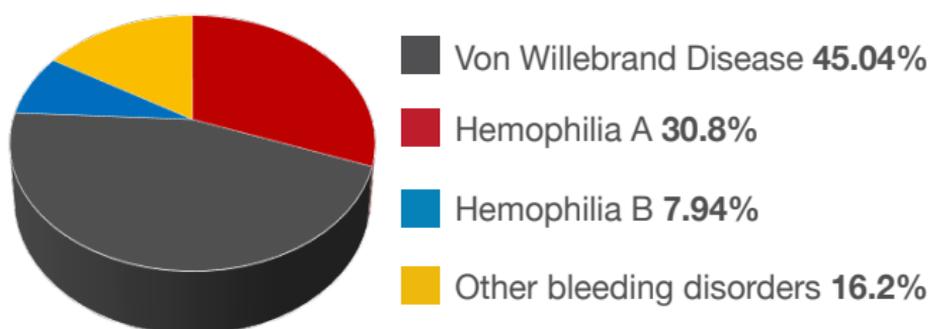
- 1** A bleeding disorder is a rare and complicated disorder in which the blood does not clot properly due to a missing protein called factor.
- 2** Symptoms include spontaneous bleeding into muscles, joints, and organs.
- 3** The most common types of bleeding disorders are hemophilia and von Willebrand Disease (VWD).

**2,006** Total Number of Bleeding Disorder Patients seen at a Hemophilia Treatment Center (HTC) in Michigan\*

*\*CDC estimates that 70% of patients are seen at HTCs.*

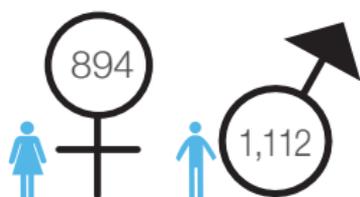
## Michigan HTC Patients by Bleeding Disorder

Patients receive comprehensive care from medical experts at federally-funded treatment centers. Michigan is home to nine treatment centers located in Ann Arbor, Detroit, East Lansing, Flint, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, and Traverse City.

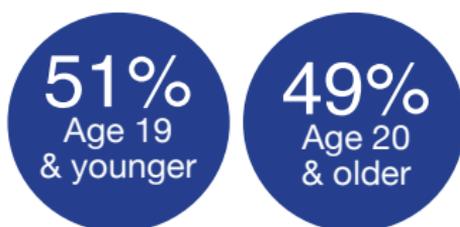


**Ethnicity** Affects all racial and ethnic groups equally.

## Gender



## Age



## Treatment

Treatment varies by diagnosis. Most patients need to take an intravenous injection of clotting factor.

Average annual cost per patient **\$250,000**

*Data has been provided by the US Hemophilia Treatment Center Network, Hemophilia Data Set, 2016*

## Michigan Bleeding Disorders

# Advocacy

## Get to Know Your Legislators

Help us to raise awareness of bleeding disorders and build relationships with local legislators by sharing your personal story. Go to [www.hfmich.org/advocacy](http://www.hfmich.org/advocacy) to find who represents you.

## Tell your story!

- 1 Share the facts about bleeding disorders in Michigan
- 2 Make it personal—share YOUR experience
- 3 Be clear & concise—help them understand
- 4 Be polite & say thank you
- 5 Follow up—write a thank you email, send a letter, connect via social media, or attend another meeting!



Nearly 100 community members attended HFM's 2017 Lansing Day event to share their story with legislators.



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The Hemophilia Foundation of Michigan (HFM) is the only agency in the state that provides education, advocacy, and supportive services for those affected by bleeding disorders, including family members and caregivers, roughly 4,000 individuals combined.