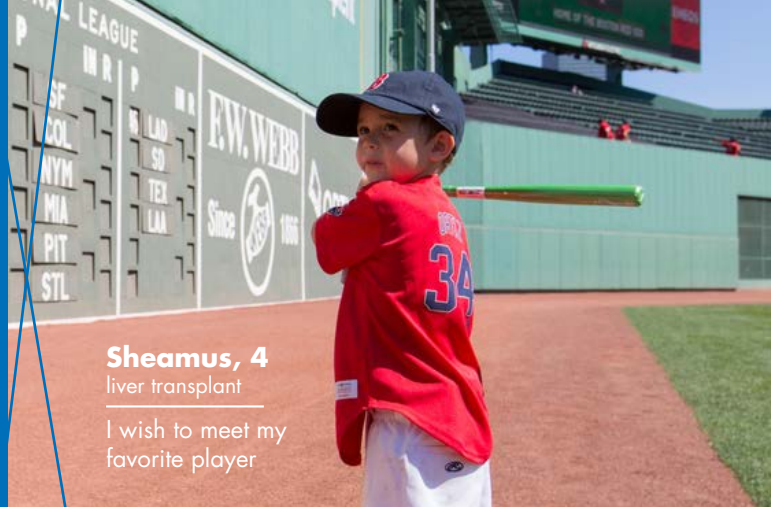




GASTROENTEROLOGY

Referral Guidance Sheet



Sheamus, 4
liver transplant

I wish to meet my favorite player

DEAR GASTROENTEROLOGY HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL,

Please review the eligibility guidance to help identify children within your department that may qualify for a wish. Thank you for helping us reach our vision of granting every eligible child's wish.

Note: Please refer to the other specialties to learn about other qualifying conditions.

To qualify for a wish, a child must:

- ① Be over the age of 2½ and under the age of 18 at the time of referral
- ② Not have received a wish from another wish-granting organization
- ③ Be diagnosed with a life-threatening condition; i.e. a progressive, degenerative or malignant condition that has placed the child's life in jeopardy

USUALLY QUALIFYING GASTROENTEROLOGY CONDITIONS:

- Bowel/intestinal transplant
- Chronic progressive liver disease with decompensation
- Hepatopulmonary syndrome
- Inflammatory bowel disease resulting in short gut disease with:
 - Prolonged parenteral support
 - Complications resulting from immunosuppressive therapy or surgery
- Liver failure
- Liver transplantation (within one year of transplant)
- Malignancy or inherited pre-malignant conditions
- Portal hypertension
- Short bowel syndrome or intestinal failure requiring prolonged parenteral (TPN) support
- Status post liver transplant (with ongoing life-threatening complications)

Other conditions that may be eligible for a wish with complicating co-morbidities:

- Atresia of bile ducts
- Complications from immunosuppressive therapy
- Crohn's disease
- Hirschsprung's disease
- Pancreatitis
- Ulcerative colitis
- Many other conditions not listed

TO REFER:

