

ONCOLOGY

Referral Guidance Sheet

*I wish to create
a soup and feed
the homeless*

Natalia, 10
brain tumor

To qualify for a wish, a child must meet these criteria at the time of referral:

1. Older than 2½ years and under 18 years
2. Has not received a wish from another wish-granting organization
3. Diagnosed with a condition currently placing the child's life in jeopardy

Usually qualifying Oncology conditions:

- Bone marrow/stem cell transplant (within one year of transplant)
- Low grade tumors with any of the following criteria:
 - o Requiring chemotherapy infusions or radiation treatment and referred within one year of completion of the above mentioned treatment
 - o Requiring more than one major surgery, such as craniotomy
 - o Location of tumor requiring ongoing medical intervention (e.g., seizures or endocrine deficit, significant functional impairment such as paralysis, or other major neurologic impairment)
 - o Associated with extensive complications (e.g.; a lengthy unplanned hospital stay)
- Malignant neoplasm and neoplasm of unspecified/uncertain behavior
 - o Requiring and referred within one year of completion of chemotherapy infusions or radiation treatment
- Status post bone marrow/stem cell transplant (with ongoing life-threatening complications)

Other conditions that may be eligible for a wish with complicating comorbidities:

- Complications from immunosuppressive therapy
- Many other conditions not listed

