



Basic Medical Conditions List

Catch-A-Dream is a national, charitable, non-profit 501(c)(3) foundation, that provides once-in-a-lifetime dream hunting and fishing trips to children across the United States and Canada, age 18 and younger, who suffer from life-threatening illnesses. **(purpose)** Through these adventures, and exposure to outdoors-minded people who care, **(business)** the Program instills in these children, and their families, a message of encouragement at a time when they need to know that Hope does, indeed, exist. **(values)**

The primary qualifying criterion is that the child is legitimately suffering from a “**life-threatening**” illness. **Life-threatening Illness, as we define it, satisfies one of the following AND places the child’s life in immediate, or longer term, danger prior to their 19th birthday:**

- **Progressive:** worsening in severity over time; or
- **Degenerative:** of, relating to, causing, or characterized by on-going deterioration of specific tissues or organs with corresponding impairment or loss of function caused by the disease or its treatment; or
- **Malignant:** tending to metastasize; cancerous.

Critical Consideration

The disease or condition alone does not qualify the child. The critical consideration is whether, at the time of application, the disease or condition is life-threatening as defined above.

Medical conditions: A list of specific medical conditions that typically qualify a child for a Catch-A-Dream experience may be found on the following page. Some medical conditions do not typically qualify on their own, but occasionally underlying complications may make them life-threatening. Medical professionals might be asked to provide Catch-A-Dream with additional details regarding the specific life-threatening nature of the child's condition.

Physical disabilities, chronic medical conditions, mental/psychological disorders, neurobehavioral developmental disorders or other non-life-threatening or life-limiting medical conditions do not qualify for a Catch-A-Dream experience.

Case-by-case situations: Medical conditions not included in this list may also qualify a child based on the life-threatening condition as defined above.

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Cardiology

- Single ventricle
- Double inlet left ventricle
- Tricuspid atresia
- Aortic atresia
- Mitral atresia
- Hypoplastic left heart syndrome
- Congestive heart failure
- Implanted cardiac defibrillator
- Implanted ventricular assist device
- Left ventricular heart failure
- Long QT syndrome
- Heart transplant or placement on the transplant list
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Status post Fontan procedure
- Ventricular fibrillation

Endocrinology & Metabolic Conditions

- Disorder of glycosaminoglycan metabolism
- Disorder of urea cycle metabolism
- Fabry (Anderson) disease
- Gaucher disease
- Krabbe disease
- Lesch-Nyhan syndrome
- Maple-syrup-urine disease
- Metachromatic leukodystrophy
- Neiman-Pick disease
- Peroxisomal disorder
- Sphingolipidosis
- Tay-Sachs disease
- X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy

Gastroenterology

- Bowel (intestine) transplant
- Hepatopulmonary syndrome
- Liver failure
- Liver transplant (within one year)
- Portal hypertension

Genetics

- Barth syndrome
- Smith-Lemli-Optiz syndrome
- Trisomy 13 and 18

Hematology

- Aplastic anemia
- Bone marrow/stem cell transplant (within one year)
- Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis
- Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID)

Immunology & Infectious Disease

- Bone marrow transplant (within one year)
- Wiskott-Aldrich and Bruton's agammaglobulinemia
- Severe Combined Immunodeficiency Disease (SCID)

Nephrology

- Dialysis dependent renal disease
- Kidney transplant (within one year)

Neurology & Neurosurgery

- Alpers disease
- Familial dysautonomia (Riley-Day)
- Friedrich's ataxia
- Huntington's disease
- Leigh's disease
- Leukodystrophy
- Moyamoya disease
- Neuronal brain iron accumulation (NBIA)
- Rett syndrome

Oncology

- Bone marrow/stem cell transplant (within 1 year)
- Most oncology diagnoses that require chemotherapy infusions or radiation treatment **AND are referred within one year of completion of the above mentioned treatment.**

Pulmonary

- Chronic respiratory failure
- Chronic ventilator dependence
- Cystic fibrosis
- Lung transplant/ placement on lung transplant list
- Progressive histiocytosis including multifocal
- Pulmonary fibrosis
- Pulmonary graft vs host disease
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Pulmonary lymphangectasia

Rheumatology

- Tumor necrosis factor receptor associated periodic syndrome (TRAPS)
- Chronic infantile neurological cutaneous articular (CINCA)/ neonatal onset multisystem inflammatory disease (NOMID)
- Hyper IgD syndrome (HIDS)
- Chronic atypical neutrophilic dermatosis with lipodystrophy and elevated temperature (CANDLE)
- Deficiency of the IL-1 receptor antagonist (DIRA)
- Eosinophilic granulomatosis w/ polyangiitis
- Granulomatosis
- Microscopic polyangiitis
- Polyangiitis
- Polyarteritis nodosa
- Takayasu's arteritis
- Progressive systemic sclerosis (systemic sclerosis)