

»The German Leukemia Research Aid - Initiative for Children with Cancer (DLFH) Mannheim Chapter was founded in Mannheim in 1979. We, the parents of children affected by cancer, as well as doctors and friends, have organized ourselves to help fight childhood cancer in various ways.«

About us and our goals

- · Research support on childhood cancer
- · Consultations with parents of children affected by leukemia and other types of cancer, including financial support for families in need
- · Financial support to the Mannheim Medical Center Department of Pediatrics, allowing the improvement of the human resources and financial situations as well as the acquisition of new diagnostic equipment

About us and our projects



Art and Music Therapy

Two specialists in art and music therapy visit the oncology ward on several afternoons each week. They provide a very sensitive program that supports the children without the pressure to perform.



Parent House

Our parent house, located at Jakob-Trumpfheller-Strasse 14 in Mannheim, is used by many of our parents. They appreciate the relaxing atmosphere at the end of a long day at the hospital and gain strength for the following days.



Wish Box

We have placed a wish box in the oncology ward. The children jot down their wishes and leave them in the box. Our wish fairy will then do her very best to grant them.

ROSYS KIDS CORNER

At Rosy's Kids Corner, we take the children to enjoy ice hockey games at the Mannheim SAP Arena. They love going to the games and supporting the local ADLER team. This helps them forget their medical condition for a few hours.



The Hospital Clown

A highlight in the hospital routine is the appearance of Julchen the Clown with her magic little mice. Happy moments play a major role in making the disease more tolerable; laughing is healthy, and humor has a positive influence on the immune system.



Our Over-18 project offers young adults over the age of 18 the opportunity for monthly exchange. That way they can establish contact among each other and plan joint activities.



Bravery Pearls

The Bravery Pearls project financed by our organization is very well received by the children. Uniquely produced pearls are used to reward them after each treatment step. This helps bolster courage, which is key to the ongoing therapy.



In Home Child and Family Care

Since June 2010, we have provided a children's nurse who assists with children's and families' transition from the hospital to home. As the family situation has changed and, frequently, has become complicated, parents often feel insecure about offering appropriate help to their child after a hospital stay. Mostly, the nurse can provide the necessary support.

Conclusion

Our goal is to improve the situation of children suffering from cancer in the most positive way and to provide support for their parents in each and every way.

We always encounter new, demanding tasks; these can only be fulfilled if there are people who readily support minorities and those less fortunate. In order to accomplish this, financial contributions are vital.

»No one partner can do it all, but everyone can do something. Together, we can achieve a lot.«



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