

## UChicago Medicine International Newsletter

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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

UChicago Medicine Children's Hospital has provided comprehensive, innovative medical care to children since it opened its first pediatric facility in 1930. UChicago Medicine Comer Children's Hospital, a 172-bed acute care hospital that opened in 2005, continues to unite advanced technology with a family-centered, kid-friendly philosophy to provide state-of-the-art care for all children. Recently, Comer Children's Hospital has been ranked among the best nationwide in four pediatric specialties in U.S. News & World Report's 2018-19 "Best Children's Hospitals" report. Especially, our experienced team of pediatric cancer specialists provides the most advanced care available to more than 3,000 young people each year. In the fourth volume of UChicago Medicine International Newsletter, we are excited to share incredible stories of our pediatric patients who could defeat cancer with our latest and innovative cancer therapies such as stem cell transplant, CAR T-Cell therapy, and MIBG therapy.



### FOREFRONT OF MEDICINE

#### Family steps up to the plate to support young man fighting Hodgkin lymphoma

After Anthony Bendy was diagnosed with Hodgkin lymphoma, his family surrounded him with love and support. He also got a little help from first basemen and cancer survivor Anthony Rizzo. Now the two Anthonys are teaming up to fight cancer together. For more information, please visit <https://www.uchicagomedicine.org/cancer-articles/game-on-against-cancer>



#### Teen overcomes blood cancer, thanks to CAR T-cell therapy

15-year-old Cedric Elery fought an aggressive form of pediatric acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL). After chemotherapy, the disease relapsed, and physicians at Comer Children's treated him with a new approach, CAR T-cell therapy. For more information, please visit <https://www.uchicagomedicine.org/cancer-articles/teen-overcomes-blood-cancer-thanks-to-car-t-cell-therapy>

### Little boy goes on tough journey to battle neuroblastoma, a rare cancer

When Charlie Betzold was very young he was diagnosed with neuroblastoma. After treatment through a clinical trial for MIBG therapy, Charlie Betzold is happy, healthy and full of energy and life. For more information, please visit <https://www.uchicagomedicine.org/cancer-articles/little-boy-goes-on-tough-journey-to-battle-neuroblastoma>

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov.9-10 (Beijing) 2nd Annual International Sports Medicine and Orthopaedic Surgery Conference  
<https://www.uchicago.cn/events/2nd-annual-international-sports-medicine-and-orthopaedic-surgery-conference/>
- Nov.16 (Chicago) Chicago Lung Cancer Updates 2018  
<https://cme.uchicago.edu/clcu2018#group-tabs-node-course-default1>
- Nov.29 (Chicago) University of Chicago Simulation Center MOCA® Training  
<https://cme.uchicago.edu/moca-11-29-18#group-tabs-node-course-default1>
- Nov.30 – Dec.2 (Chicago) 32nd Annual Conference: Challenges for Clinicians  
<https://cme.uchicago.edu/challenges2018#group-tabs-node-course-default1>
- Jan.4 (Chicago) Center for Pelvic Health Symposium: Improving Quality of Life for Patients with Pelvic Floor Disorders  
<https://cme.uchicago.edu/pelvichealth18>
- Ongoing (E-Learning) UChicago Medicine E-Learning Courses ([Link](#))

If you have any question in regard to patient care, events, or international collaboration options, please contact us via email or WeChat.

Sincerely,

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