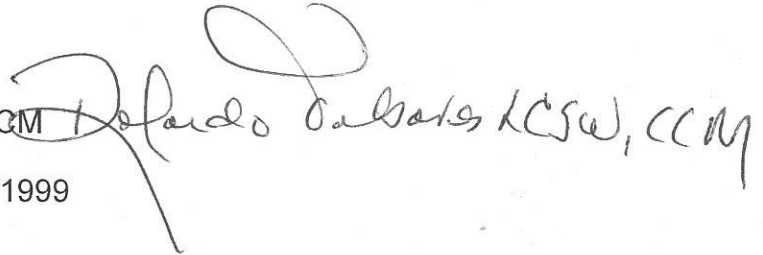


TO: JJCCF/ Advocacy Program
FROM: Rolando Tabares, LCSW, CCM
RE: Luis Rodriguez, DOB 12/17/1999
DATE: May 26, 2016



By way of this letter, I would like to refer Luis Rodriguez to the Jessica June Children's Cancer Foundation's Advocacy Program. Luis is a 16 year old young man from Venezuela who was diagnosed just one month ago with T-cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL). Because of the precarious social/political/medical situation of his native country, Luis' family decided to travel to South Florida seeking specialized medical care. Luis was admitted into our facility via the Emergency Department on May 4, 2016 and has been enrolled in an induction chemotherapy protocol, which he is currently receiving.

His mother, Linett Castillo Mendez, is by Luis' bedside. There is a relative living in the Doral area who has offered lodging, however, because Luis is hospitalized and will require frequent medical management even after he leaves the hospital, we have referred the case to our local Ronald McDonald House and they are presently on a waiting list for an available family room. Luis' medical treatment could potentially be as long as 1 year or even longer.

As Luis' social worker, I ask that JJCCF consider this case for your Advocacy Program as Luis and his family will, most definitely need more ongoing financial assistance than what the foundation is able to offer him. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you need further information. I thank you in advance!