



I would like to recommend **Carmen Baker's family** for your advocacy Program. Carmen is a 12 year old with known diagnosis of B cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL).

Carmen is currently in active treatment and has had a very difficult time of it having suffered a stroke related to her treatment just a few months ago. Currently Carmen is undergoing not only treatment for her cancer but intensive physical therapy to get back her strength she lost due to her stroke. Needless to say this all has caused additional stress for both Carmen and her family. Now they need to travel back and forth 60 miles not only for treatment for Carmen's cancer but also need to travel 3 times a week for physical therapy which means Carmen's mother is unable to work as she needs to bring Carmen back and forth for treatment and physical therapy on average about 3-5 times a week since Carmen's dad is much older and on disability.

Any assistance you can provide to help Carmen's family financially would be greatly appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should need any further information.

Yours truly, Michelle O'Boyle, RN, CPON Pediatric Oncology Patient Care Navigator <u>michelle@kidscancersf.org</u> 561-371-1298



"Of all the forces that make for a better world, none is so powerful as *HOPE*. With *HOPE*, one can think, one can work, one can dream. If you have *HOPE*, you have *everything*."

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