

## **NEPHROLOGY**Referral <u>Guidance Sheet</u>



## To qualify for a wish, a child must meet these criteria at the time of referral:

- 1. Older than 2½ years and under 18 years
- 2. Has not received a wish from another wish-granting organization
- 3. Diagnosed with a condition currently placing the child's life in jeopardy

## **Usually qualifying Nephrology conditions:**

- Chronic kidney disease (stage 3 or greater) with:
  - Multiple acute illnesses/exacerbations in the last year requiring hospitalization
- Dialysis dependent renal disease
- Kidney transplant (within one year of transplant)

- Kidney diseases dependent on long-term infusions and/or plasma exchange
   e.g., atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome requiring chronic anticomplement therapy to stay in remission
- Status post kidney transplant (with ongoing life-threatening complications)

## Other conditions that may be eligible for a wish with complicating comorbidities:

- Refractory nephrotic syndrome
  o e.g.; multiple acute illnesses or relapses requiring
  infusion medication and multiple immunosuppressive
  medications
- Complications from immunosuppressive therapy
- Many other conditions not listed

