

RHEUMATOLOGY Referral Guidance Sheet



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 Rheumatology conditions:

- Antiphospholipid syndrome with recurrent thrombosis/active disease (not just positive antibody titers)
- Autoinflammatory conditions
 e.g., TRAPS, CINCA/NOMID, HIDS,
 CANDLE. DIRA
- Chronic vasculitis:
 - o Eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis
 - o Granulomatosis
 - o Microscopic polyangiitis
 - o Polyangiitis
 - o Polyarteritis nodosa
 - o Takayasu arteritis

- Juvenile dermatomyositis
 - With any end-organ involvement, calcinosis, or otherwise recalcitrant (greater than one year of treatment or two or more relapses)
- Mixed connective tissue disease with end-organ involvement
- Pediatric systemic lupus erythematous with end-organ involvement
- Polychondritis resulting in end-organ damage
- Progressive Systemic Sclerosis (Systemic Scleroderma)
- Systemic JRA/JIA with macrophage activation syndrome (MAS)

Referred within 12 months of MAS episode or having continuing MAS issues



• Complications from immunosuppressive therapy

• Many other conditions not listed

