

Immunology & Infectious Disease

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 younger than 18 years
- 2. Has not received a wish from another wish-granting organization
- 3. Diagnosed with a **critical illness** (i.e. a progressive, degenerative or malignant condition) that, despite adherence to the treatment plan, is currently placing the child's life in jeopardy

Qualifying Immunology and Infectious Diseases:

- Bone marrow transplant
 - Within one year of transplant
 - With ongoing life-threatening complications
- Bruton's agammaglobulinemia
- Chronic granulomatous disease
- Immunodeficiencies with:
 - Severe autoimmune complications and/or significantly diminished life expectancy (within the childhood period)
- Primary immunodeficiencies requiring lifelong treatment with a significantly shortened life expectancy (within the childhood period)
- Primary immunodeficiency diseases resulting in frequent unplanned hospitalizations where infection is not well controlled
- Severe combined immunodeficiency disease (SCID)
- Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome

There are other conditions that may be eligible for a wish when the condition includes life-threatening comorbidities that are currently placing the child's life in jeopardy. These conditions will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Please include detailed information on these conditions when submitting the Diagnosis Verification Form.

