

Nephrology 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 Nephrology Conditions:

- Chronic kidney disease (stage 3 or greater) with:
 - o Multiple acute illnesses/exacerbations in the last year requiring hospitalization
- Dialysis-dependent renal disease
- Kidney transplant
 - Within one year of transplant
 - With ongoing life-threatening complications
- Atypical hemolytic uremic syndrome treated with chronic anticomplement therapy in order to remain in remission

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.

