

## 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 (BMT) and stem cell transplant (SCT)
  - o If BMT/SCT occurred under 2.5 years old, the child must have ongoing life-threatening complications
  - If BMT/SCT occurred at 2.5 years or older, the child must be either within 5 years of transplant or having ongoing life-threatening complications
- Bruton's agammaglobulinemia
- Chronic granulomatous disease
- Primary immunodeficiencies with one of the following:
  - o Requiring lifelong treatment with a significantly shortened life expectancy (within the childhood period)
  - Resulting in frequent unplanned hospitalizations where infection is not well controlled
  - With severe autoimmune complications
- Severe combined immunodeficiency disease (SCID)
  - With active disease or
  - For children who received a BMT/SCT, meeting criteria listed for BMT/SCT
- Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome
  - With active disease or
  - For children who received a BMT/SCT, meeting criteria listed for BMT/SCT

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.

