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YOUNG HEROES: *Second Chances & New Chapters*

Over the past 19 years, Smiles of Innocence has raised over \$3 million, with funds being used for purchases such as neonatal intensive care incubators and special cardiac monitors at The Hospital for Sick Children. Here are three stories of children who have battled life-threatening circumstances and have come out stronger, benefiting from the funds raised for the hospital.



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Dear Friend,

Welcome to our 19th Annual Gala in support of the SickKids Foundation!

We are very proud of our committee, and the time that they dedicate to Smiles of Innocence and their community. Through their efforts we have raised much needed funds for the Hospital for Sick Children and continue to build upon our success with each and every event we host.

Each year, the need for better facilities, updated equipment, and enhanced health-care expertise grows. Every dollar we raise helps to improve the pediatric care that is provided today and the health care of the future. Your support helps ensure that the Hospital for Sick Children has the resources needed to provide the best possible care for our children.

Smiles of Innocence is committed to promoting awareness and raising funds for the hospital. As we continue to make a positive impact in the lives of children everywhere, we are grateful for the continued support and dedication of our many sponsors, community partners, annual donors and volunteers. None of this would be possible without you. On behalf of all the children and families whose lives will be improved by the Hospital for Sick Children, thank you!

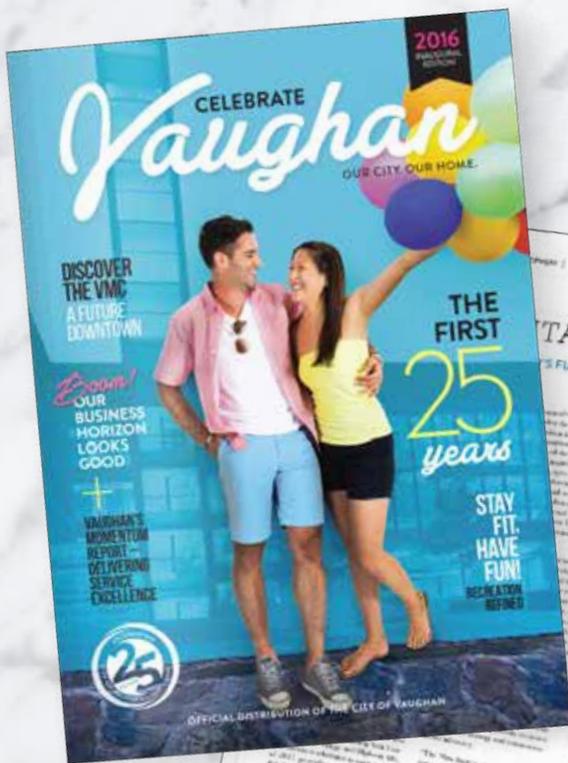
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Povegliano". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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In particular, I want to thank Anna and John Povegliano for their vision and tireless efforts in bringing this event to life.

Tonight, we remember their son Daniel who left us far too soon. In his memory, his parents are building a legacy that will benefit the thousands of children who come to SickKids every year.

SickKids is constantly seeking new ways to better help children facing serious health challenges. The generous support of event's like this one helps speed our advances so we can give more children hope of recovery.

On behalf of all the children and families at SickKids and around the world who will benefit from your contribution, please accept my sincere gratitude for your generous support of the Smiles of Innocence Memorial Charity Gala and SickKids Foundation.

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FLASHBACK

Daniel Povegliano was only four years old when he died in 1996, suffering every day at the hands of a rare and terrible disease. The pain he endured was more than most people experience in a lifetime, but his ready smile through it all remains an inspiration.

Daniel's Story



**Daniel at age 4...
smiling through all the pain**

By Anna Povegliano

On May 29, 1992 Daniel Gabriel Povegliano was born in Etobicoke, Ontario. Like most parents, we were thrilled with the arrival of our first child. After an emergency C-section, we were told that there was something wrong with our son. At birth Daniel's colour was not normal. At the hospital he was placed in isolation in fear of a viral infection. The next day he was transferred to the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. After a perfectly normal pregnancy we never imagined there would be something wrong with our child. We were shocked, distraught and confused. The next two weeks were the longest of our lives.

After a two week stay and numerous tests, Daniel was diagnosed with a rare condition called Mastocytosis. Mastocytosis is a disorder caused by the production of too many mast cells in the body. Mast cells are found in skin, the lining of the stomach, intestine and connective tissue and help the body's immune system defend these tissues from disease. At the time of his diagnosis, it appeared that his involvement was only with his skin. This was good news. Like few others before him, Daniel would grow to be a normal child with a skin condition. His body would release histamine more than normal and he would have severe allergies, but all looked good. We brought our son home for the first time in June of 1992.

Although Daniel appeared to be thriving, we often wondered if he was in pain because he continuously cried in discomfort

especially with bowel movements. The doctors examined him and found nothing. They often pushed this aside as he was our first child and perhaps we were a little naive.

When he was born he weighed 8lbs, 2 oz. By the age of four months Daniel's weight had increased to 12lbs. In October of 1992, at the age of 5 months, Daniel stopped gaining weight. At a follow-up visit at SickKids in December he was admitted to hospital for Failure to Thrive. He spent another two weeks in the Hospital doing more testing and experimenting with many different feeding supplements. Daniel was released on December 23rd, two days before his 1st Christmas. He was sent home with feeding supplements and we were asked to monitor his intake and outtake regularly.

In the new year, it was determined that normal feeding was not enough to sustain Daniel. That January, Daniel underwent surgery to have a feeding tube inserted into his abdomen. With the tube inserted, training for us completed and a regular feeding schedule, we took him home once again. Our stay at home was short-lived. Daniel was rushed back to SickKids as he was not able to keep anything down and was extremely dehydrated. Whatever went in came out one way or another. Daniel was producing and vomiting bile on a regular basis. He was admitted to hospital again.

In February, he had emergency surgery after he started bleeding rectally. At this point, we were told that it could go either way. If his insides had gone gangrenous, there would be nothing they could do. We waited and prayed for Daniel. During surgery it was determined that Daniel had a kink in his bowel. It was also noted that he had many lesions in his stomach and intestine. After surgery, Daniel would not take anything orally. It was like he had forgotten how to eat. The feeding tube was not working because he could not absorb the nutrients and everything that went in would find its way back out.

Daniel would go on to spend the next 10 months in the hospital. The Hospital for Sick Children became our primary residence. During this time, Daniel had many complications. He caught anything that was lingering in the hospital and it was always the worst possible case. His blood levels were never normal. They were either too low or too high. Every week there was something new. In May of 1993, we celebrated his 1st birthday at SickKids and we will never forget the wonderful nursing staff. They brought him gifts, a cake and decorated his room. They made it memorable for the entire family.

In the fall, while we were still in the hospital, it was decided that Daniel would have to be fed intravenously as his body was still unable to absorb nutrients. Daniel had surgery to install a Central Line. A catheter was placed into the internal jugular vein in the neck with access to his chest.

We were trained on the proper care and maintenance of this line to avoid infection. This was extremely important because there are limited access points in the body, and once an access point has been used, it cannot be not be used again. Daniel was placed on Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) and fed intravenously at home for the remainder of his short life.

Because of the severity of his condition, lack of information and the constant pain and discomfort Daniel felt, the doctors at the hospital would treat his symptoms. As a result, he was on many medications and received some sort of prescription every hour.



Daniel as an infant...there were few signs of what was to come



Mom & Dad provide a moment of special cheer for Daniel, celebrating his first birthday with cake and gifts at SickKids.

His schedule was regimented, but we did not give up on our son. We did whatever it took to provide him with the necessities of life. Although his body was receiving the nutrients it needed, Daniel was still not thriving. He did not speak, eat or walk. He was a child with numerous disabilities. It appeared that the mast cells that originally were believed to have infiltrated only his skin had made it into every major organ in his little body.

All things considered, Daniel appeared to be doing well at home. He was a happy little boy who loved his family. He always had a smile and made sounds of happiness when his parents and grandparents were with him. Daniel had had his first seizure on May 9th, 1993, my first Mother's Day, but now his seizures were getting worse. He sometimes had seizures that would last 45 minutes. After each seizure he was drained and would sleep for hours. In April of 1996, after one of his seizures, Daniel did not wake up and was placed on life support in the NICU for 10 days. When Daniel finally woke up it was obvious that he had regressed.

Later that summer, it was decided that Daniel's tonsils and adenoids had to be removed. This was a simple procedure and he was scheduled for day surgery on September 20th. After the surgery and numerous hours in recovery, we took Daniel home. At home later that evening, he was struggling. We called 911 and Daniel was transported to the local hospital. Because his case was so complicated, they transferred him immediately down to SickKids.

On September 25th, 1996, Daniel died in my arms, surrounded by the love, affection, determination, and understanding he had always known. Daniel is a child of hope. He has taught us so many things and we are proud to be his family. In just four short years, Daniel had endured more pain and suffering than most people experience in a lifetime. He was surrounded by love each and every day of his life, and we believe that was the only reason he managed to stay with us as long as he did.

Thank You for Your Support



Smiles of Innocence would like to thank you for your contributions and your time. Without you, we would not be able to continue our mission to help sick kids.

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If you've ever wondered, "Is there more I can do?", the answer is Yes. Smiles of Innocence would be honoured to have you create and manage your own fundraising event in support of Smiles of Innocence and the SickKids Foundation.

No matter the size of the event, every donation helps. Whether it is a school fundraiser or hosting a seasonal event with family and friends, any effort will bring people together in support of a great cause.

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Now is your chance. Organize an event and help support Smiles of Innocence and the SickKids Foundation.

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Telemedicine is transformative, sharing SickKids expertise beyond our walls by bringing patients and practitioners together, virtually.

IN 2016, THE SICKKIDS TELEMEDICINE PROGRAM IS CELEBRATING ITS MILESTONE 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Imagine being a parent whose child is seriously ill, and not being able to access the care you desperately need because of where you live. As a hospital dedicated to healthier children everywhere, two decades ago SickKids began a program which breaks down barriers to health-care access. In 1996, it created a basic Telemedicine Program serving Northern Ontario communities by transmitting secure video images over telephone lines. In 2016, the SickKids Telemedicine program is celebrating its milestone 20th anniversary and, with it, a remarkable transformation of delivering care, education, research and collaboration at SickKids. Telemedicine has become an integral resource for clinicians, a reliable way to assess and manage patients remotely, as well as a platform for sharing knowledge.

Given the dramatic evolution of technology, services expand consistently as telemedicine adopts new platforms available to health care. And the numbers of SickKids staff using these tools have doubled in the last year alone. The latest advancement is Guest-Link, a real-time, direct and secure videoconference system launched at SickKids in 2016 and supported by the Ontario Telemedicine Network. Now patients

can connect with clinicians right from home – through their computer, tablet or smartphone – breaking down yet another obstacle to care.

“SickKids was an early adopter, using technology to bridge barriers to treat patients; now ours is the largest comprehensive program in Canada. We provide care and training, developing customized service and models to support primary caregivers across the province,” says Dr. Tony Pignatiello, Medical Director for SickKids’ Telepsychiatry/Tele-Link, Associate Psychiatrist-in-Chief and the SickKids Chair in Medical Psychiatry, funded by an out-of-province anonymous donor. “Today, telepsychiatry is fully integrated as a standard in regular practice, not as an afterthought. With such significant usage increases – annually more than 2,500 consultations – access to specialized child psychiatry is now equitable, improving children’s lives, everywhere.”

Dr. Darius Bagli, Urologist and Associate Surgeon-in-Chief at SickKids, was the first SickKids clinician to use Guest-Link. “In less than 10 years, the entire concept of telemedicine will be transformed; in its place will be the virtual presence platform for care.

DONORS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Telepsychiatry has been a consistent focus for SickKids, building capacity and providing expertise to remote communities like Northern Ontario and elsewhere in Canada through programs like SickKids’ Tele-Link Mental Health Program. Bell Canada funding supports Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT) for youth in Northern Ontario, an innovative project that uses telemedicine to provide supervision-based training for mental health practitioners. To address concerns about growing mental health issues for youth in Nunavut, Tele-Link expanded to the region in 2014 through a partnership with Cisco Canada’s Connected North program, and with funding from RBC Foundation. The goal is to enhance children’s mental health services in Nunavut, improving access and outcomes.

Smart technology everywhere, including wearable personal devices, will dynamically feed into the virtual care space in real time. We’ll even be able to perform simple care interventions remotely. Physical distances don’t have to be large to be unnecessary; we’ll all need to re-think when patients and practitioners must be together in person, vs. the greater peace of mind knowing we are always ‘there’ wherever and whenever we’re needed.”

NEXT

“In less than 10 years, the entire concept of telemedicine will be transformed; in its place will be the virtual presence platform for care,” says Dr. Darius Bagli.

TOP 5 SONGS FROM THE PAST 19 YEARS

1996

1. **Macarena (Bayside Boys Remix), Los Del Rio**
2. One Sweet Day, Mariah Carey and Boyz II Men
3. Because You Loved Me, Celine Dion
4. Nobody Knows, Tony Rich Project
5. Always Be My Baby, Mariah Carey

1997

1. **Candle In the Wind, Elton John**
2. Foolish Games/You Were Meant For Me, Jewel
3. I'll Be Missing You, Puff Daddy and Faith Evans
4. Un-Break My Heart, Toni Braxton
5. Can't Nobody Hold Me Down, Puff Daddy

1998

1. **Too Close, Next**
2. The Boy Is Mine, Brandy and Monica
3. You're Still the One, Shania Twain
4. Truly Madly Deeply, Savage Garden
5. How Do I Live, LeAnn Rimes

1999

1. **Believe, Cher**
2. No Scrubs, TLC
3. Angel of Mine, Monica
4. Heartbreak Hotel, Whitney Houston
5. ...Baby One More Time, Britney Spears

2000

1. **Breathe, Faith Hill**
2. Smooth, Santana featuring Rob Thomas
3. Say My Name, Destiny's Child
4. I Wanna Know, Joe
5. Everything You Want, Vertical Horizon

2001

1. **Hanging By a Moment, Lifehouse**
2. Fallin', Alicia Keys
3. All for You, Janet Jackson
4. Drops of Jupiter, Train
5. I'm Real, Jennifer Lopez featuring Ja Rule

2002

1. **How You Remind Me, Nickelback**
2. Foolish, Ashanti
3. Hot in Herre, Nelly
4. Dilemma, Nelly featuring Kelly Rowland
5. Wherever You Will Go, The Calling

2003

1. **In da Club, 50 Cent**
2. Ignition, R. Kelly
3. Get Busy, Sean Paul
4. Crazy In Love, Beyoncé featuring Jay-Z
5. When I'm Gone, 3 Doors Down

2004

1. **Yeah!, Usher featuring Lil Jon & Ludacris**
2. Burn, Usher
3. If I Ain't Got You, Alicia Keys
4. This Love, Maroon 5
5. The Way You Move, OutKast featuring Sleepy Brown

2005

1. **We Belong Together, Mariah Carey**
2. Hollaback Girl, Gwen Stefani
3. Let Me Love You, Mario
4. Since U Been Gone, Kelly Clarkson
5. One, Two Step, Ciara featuring Missy Elliott

2006

1. **Bad Day, Daniel Powter**
2. Temperature, Sean Paul
3. Promiscuous, Nelly Furtado featuring Timbaland
4. You're Beautiful, James Blunt
5. Hips Don't Lie, Shakira featuring Wyclef Jean

2007

1. **Irreplaceable, Beyoncé**
2. Umbrella, Rihanna featuring Jay-Z
3. The Sweet Escape, Gwen Stefani featuring Akon
4. Big Girls Don't Cry, Fergie
5. Buy U a Drank (Shawty Snappin'), T-Pain featuring Yung Joc

2008

1. **Low, Flo Rida featuring T-Pain**
2. Bleeding Love, Leona Lewis
3. No One, Alicia Keys
4. Lollipop, Lil Wayne featuring Static Major
5. Apologize, Timbaland featuring OneRepublic

2009

1. **Boom Boom Pow, The Black Eyed Peas**
2. Poker Face, Lady Gaga
3. Just Dance, Lady Gaga featuring Colby O'Donis
4. I Gotta Feeling, The Black Eyed Peas
5. Love Story, Taylor Swift

2010

1. **TiK ToK, Ke\$ha**
2. Need You Now, Lady Antebellum
3. Hey, Soul Sister, Train
4. California Gurls, Katy Perry featuring Snoop Dogg
5. OMG, Usher featuring will.i.am

2011

1. **Rolling in the Deep, Adele**
2. Party Rock Anthem, LMFAO featuring Lauren Bennett & GoonRock
3. Firework, Katy Perry
4. E.T., Katy Perry featuring Kanye West
5. Give Me Everything, Pitbull featuring Ne-Yo, Afrojack & Nayer

2012

1. **Somebody That I Used to Know, Gotye featuring Kimbra**
2. Call Me Maybe, Carly Rae Jepsen
3. We Are Young, Fun. featuring Janelle Monae
4. Payphone, Maroon 5 featuring Wiz Khalifa
5. Lights, Ellie Goulding

2013

1. **Thrift Shop, Macklemore and Ryan Lewis featuring Wanz**
2. Blurred Lines, Robin Thicke featuring T.I. and Pharrell
3. Radioactive, Imagine Dragons
4. Harlem Shake, Maroon 5 featuring Wiz Baauer
5. Can't Hold Us, Macklemore and Ryan Lewis featuring Ray Dalton

2014

1. **Happy, Pharrell Williams**
2. Dark Horse, Katy Perry featuring Juicy J
3. All of Me, John Legend
4. Fancy, Iggy Azalea featuring Charli XCX
5. Counting Stars, OneRepublic

2015

1. **Uptown Funk, Mark Ronson featuring Bruno Mars**
2. Thinking Out Loud, Ed Sheeran
3. See You Again, Wiz Khalifa featuring Charlie Puth
4. Trap Queen, Fetty Wap
5. Sugar, Maroon 5

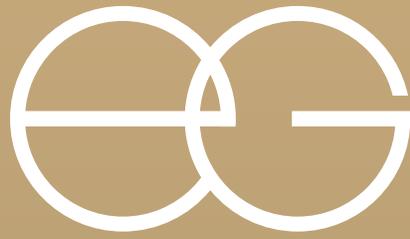


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SPECIAL FEATURE: YOUNG HEROES

PHUOC & BINH



TWIN TRANSPLANTS

Phuoc and Binh Wagner are alive and thriving today thanks to life-saving gifts and collaboration between SickKids and UHN.

TWIN GIRLS RECEIVE LIFE-SAVING LIVER TRANSPLANTS

Twins Phuoc and Binh Wagner are only five years old, but their lives are already remarkable epics of courage, compassion, and collaboration.

Adopted from a Vietnamese orphanage in 2012, the girls, malnourished and ill, joined Johanne and Michael Wagner's large Kingston family. The twins have Alagille syndrome, a rare, life-threatening genetic condition that arises from a lack of bile ducts in the liver, leading to jaundice, poor nutrient absorption, and liver disease.

Phuoc's successful life-saving liver transplant in February 2015 – from a liver donated by her adoptive father – was a collaboration between the SickKids Liver Transplant Program and the Living Donor Liver

require continuing medical attention, we are also researching ways to improve their quality of life."

Living donor transplants not only reduce waiting time and declining health, they offer distinct survival advantages. SickKids' first live liver transplant was performed in 1996. Today, SickKids' Liver Transplant Program is the largest paediatric program in Canada, annually performing approximately 30 transplants, 20 of which are live donor transplants done in partnership with UHN. SickKids' five and 10-year survival rates – now exceeding 90 per cent – are unsurpassed worldwide. Excellent long-term survival after paediatric liver transplantation, now the rule rather than exception, depends on comprehensive ongoing care.

so well because of SickKids' superb care; grief, knowing that the girls suffer from a multi-system disorder that demands a lifetime of vigilant medical attention; concern, for her children and their donors, especially, as she says, for the anonymous donor who is "missing from my family yet part of my family. We are deeply grateful to SickKids for giving our children back their lives."

And what's ahead for treatment? According to Kamath: "While the twins' plight highlighted the need for organ donation, it's critical to find alternatives to transplantation, which, while life-saving, is not a cure. In the lab, we're growing cells from patients themselves to develop new drugs and therapies so that tissue replacement doesn't necessarily require

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"In the lab, we're growing cells from patients themselves to develop new drugs and therapies so that tissue replacement doesn't necessarily require organ transplantations. The promise of this therapy is incredible; discoveries we're making today mean that in the future, the child could one day be its own donor," says Dr. Binita Kamath.

Transplant Program at University Health Network (UHN). The story captured international public attention and generated an outpouring of support. In April, the two hospital teams announced they had successfully transplanted another live liver, generously offered by an anonymous donor, and saved Binh's life.

Today, the twins are thriving, active junior kindergarten students. Their doctor, Binita Kamath, of the SickKids Transplant and Regenerative Medicine Centre, is confident they can enjoy regular childhood activities at school and play. "But a successful transplantation is not without risks to future health. Though the girls will always

At the one-year anniversaries of her daughters' transplants, Johanne Wagner experienced a myriad emotions. Joy, that Phuoc and Binh are doing

organ transplantations. The promise of this therapy is incredible; discoveries we're making today mean that in the future, the child could one day be its own donor."

DONORS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Jeff and Sherrie Logan's lives changed overnight when their healthy two-year-old, Ashley, suddenly experienced a rare type of liver failure. It quickly became clear that she would need a liver transplant, ideally from a living donor. To the relief of Ashley's frightened parents, her aunt Cheryl was a match. In 2009, Ashley underwent a successful liver transplant and is now an active, sport-loving eight year old. To express their gratitude for saving Ashley's life, and to help other children with liver transplants, Ashley's parents founded the Ashley's Angels Fund in support of transplant research, education, and care at SickKids. By organizing events and mobilizing the support of their family and friends, the Logans have raised almost \$1-million dollars. Although Ashley is well, SickKids is still an important part of the family's life. "I go to SickKids to stay healthy," says Ashley.

AUGUSTA



A collaborative effort saved Augusta Toews; a world first from SickKids brought her leg back to life.

No one gave up on seven-year-old Augusta Toews after a boating accident severed 95 per cent of her leg. Her nightmare quickly turned into a miraculous story of invention and collaboration, as the Ontario health-care system came together to save her life, and her leg. Seamless transport,

treatment, and recovery included the Ornge crew airlifting her from Muskoka to SickKids; Canadian Blood Services, providing massive amounts of blood to keep her alive; Dr. Thomas Lindsay, the vascular surgeon from University Health Network, who led the team that restored blood flow to her

HOW THE ONTARIO HEALTH-CARE SYSTEM CAME TOGETHER TO SAVE A LITTLE GIRL'S LIFE AND LEG

leg; and SickKids' world-class teams in trauma, orthopaedic and plastic surgery, critical care, medical engineering, basic science and research, physiotherapy and occupational therapy.

According to SickKids Plastic and Reconstructive surgeon Dr. Gregory Borschel, Augusta had the most severe and rarely treated type of nerve injury; her sciatic nerve was completely divided in half. A series of successful surgeries reattached her leg,

room," says Borschel. The electricity stimulated the nerve's regeneration, accelerating the healing process and helping to avoid neuropathic pain. A world-first in paediatric clinical care, the procedure is now used by SickKids to treat most severe nerve injuries.

Augusta's recovery has been truly remarkable, and astonishingly rapid. Back home in Calgary, she refused a wheelchair, crutches, walkers and

providers at critical points in a patient's care. This, he says, can open the door for unprecedented clinical breakthroughs, and ultimately, better recoveries for patients.

There's no doubt in Borschel's mind that her family's positive attitude has been critical to Augusta's extraordinary recovery. But he mostly credits his patient's "indomitable spirit. Nothing can hold Augusta back; nothing keeps Augusta down."

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For Dr. Gregory Borschel, Augusta's case underscores the importance of collaboration between health-care providers at critical points in a patient's care. This, he says, can open the door for unprecedented clinical breakthroughs, and ultimately, better recoveries for patients.

weaving together veins, muscles, flesh and bone. But the body's largest, longest nerve remained severed. Since the sciatic nerve is the leg's command centre, controlling movement, muscles and sensation, the attached leg would remain lifeless if it didn't function.

A nerve specialist, Borschel reconnected the sciatic nerve using an established nerve grafting technique. But to bring it back to life, Augusta became patient zero in an experimental procedure of electrical nerve stimulation, which Borschel had been researching, but never before performed on a child. "I saw the opportunity to use it clinically with Augusta. SickKids got behind me, a surgeon-scientist, immediately so we could take this treatment right from my lab and into the operating

sympathy; within months progressing from dragging herself to crawling, walking, running, dancing and jumping. Now nine years old, she is also active with kickboxing, Irish dancing and snowboarding.

Augusta's mother, Leslie Baker-Toews, will always be deeply grateful. "If this had to happen, we were blessed to be in Ontario at the time, so that we could be treated at SickKids, which is truly innovative, compassionate and courageous. In fact, as Canadians we are incredibly fortunate to have SickKids: its world-class clinicians and researchers are the best of the best, and that comes through in the care they provide."

For Borschel, Augusta's case underscores the importance of collaboration between health-care

DONORS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

SickKids has always been there for Maria Carreiro when she needed it most – first, when her baby daughter suffered a life-threatening injury, and years later, when her granddaughter, Tatiana, was born with a rare malformation of the veins in her forearm. This condition caused constant bleeding and pain, and could have resulted in the loss of her arm. Luckily, she was referred to Borschel. Five surgeries later, Tatiana is an active preteen with full use of her arm. Now, Carreiro is there for SickKids as a donor to Borschel's research. "Dr. Borschel is like a member of our family," says Carreiro. "It makes me so happy to be able to help him, and all the children who need SickKids."

HARTLEY

Condition: Hirschsprung's disease,
Short bowel syndrome

Age when diagnosed: at Birth

Hartley Bernier feels like a super hero. He was born on May 26, 2009 with Hirschsprung's disease, which causes motility issues in his bowels. He has undergone more than 16 surgeries and visits The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) almost weekly. The support he receives from his team there makes him feel invincible. One of Hartley's favourite super heroes is the Wolverine because he can heal himself and he has had many operations, just like Hartley.

Hirschsprung's disease can be genetic, but in Hartley's case, there is no known hereditary connection. The severity of Hartley's Hirschsprung's disease meant that he spent the first 100 days of his life at SickKids. In this time he had several surgeries and spent time seeing various areas of the hospital. During this time Hartley was given his first stoma, an opening in his abdomen to empty waste. He received his stoma and permanent IV at only a few days old and these are still important to keeping Hartley alive and healthy to this day.

Once he was stable enough to come home, Hartley's parents, Ashley and Daniel, quickly learned how to be his full-time nurses. He was on Total Parenteral Nutrition (TPN) feeding for two years and his parents still give him 16 hours of IV medication and painful injections into his blood daily.

Ashley and Daniel attribute their son's life to their doctor and the GIFT (Group for the Improvement of Intestinal Function and Treatment) program at SickKids. GIFT is the only formal intestinal rehabilitation program in Canada.

"When he was diagnosed at one day old, we were informed that if he had been born just five years earlier, before the foundation of the GIFT program, he likely would not have survived," said Ashley.

The Bernier family wants to share their story to raise awareness about the GIFT program so they can use their powers to help other little heroes like Hartley. Because of their research and excellent clinical care,



hopefully Hartley can live a long life just like his hero, the Wolverine.

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A year after their son's death from systemic mastocytosis, the Poveglianos' compassion for others and a desire to do something in Daniel's memory prompted them to form the Smiles of Innocence Memorial Charity in support of SickKids Foundation. Their efforts to date have raised over \$3 million. The money is used for several purposes:

- **The Daniel Povegliano Endowment Fund:**

The purpose of the Daniel Povegliano Endowment Fund is to support The Hospital for SickKids "highest priority needs" as determined annually by SickKids Foundation in consultation with the hospital's executive committee. The Endowment provides flexible funding for important needs of the hospital, such as support for research, clinical scientists, staff education and training, or equipment. See the panel alongside for how an Endowment Fund works.

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How an Endowment Fund works

An endowment fund can be established to support a specific area of research, hospital program, the purchase of equipment, or designated to the highest priority needs at SickKids. The endowment fund is permanently invested and professionally managed by SickKids Foundation. Only the income is spent once the endowment has reached a minimum size.

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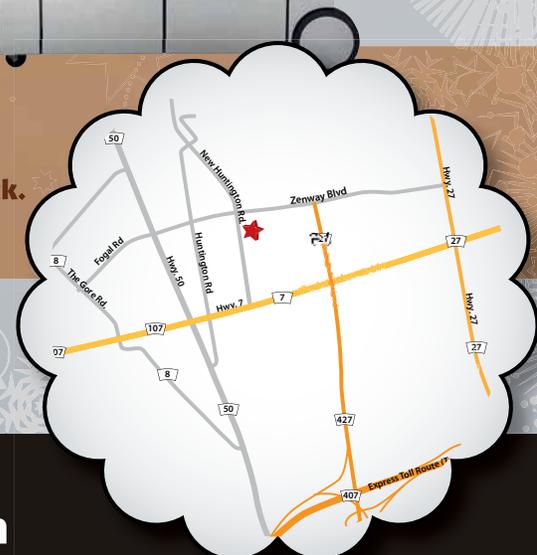
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MOMENTUM:

THIS YEAR'S PROGRESS, AND WHERE IT'S TAKING US

CARE

NOW:

For all patients to receive the best care, patient safety is integral. As part of our 2015-20 strategic plan, *Building Connections, Accelerating Impact*, SickKids recommitted to reducing preventable harm through the *Caring Safely* campaign.



WHAT'S NEXT:

Reduced preventable harm for all SickKids patients and staff.

RESEARCH

NOW:

Research teams at SickKids are constantly investigating issues that shape the health of children and families around the world. The largest-ever suicide-risk study, co-led by SickKids, found most deaths occur well after the first suicide attempt.

WHAT'S NEXT:

Suicide prevention through ongoing, sustained initiatives to monitor and support high-risk patients in the long term.



LEARNING

NOW:

Recently, SickKids welcomed an international group of cardiac surgeons from around the globe for an innovative, first-of-its kind educational program.

HOST: Hands-On Surgical Training, allows surgeons to use 3D-printed heart models to refine their skills in complex paediatric heart surgery, before they go into the operating suite.

WHAT'S NEXT:

The HOST team hopes to make this type of training a standard practice for SickKids fellows and for SickKids to be seen – worldwide – as the place to train in paediatric cardiac surgery.

AT'S NEXT

COLLABORATION

NOW:

SickKids Foundation and Cystic Fibrosis Canada have partnered to create the Program for Individualized Cystic Fibrosis Therapy.

WHAT'S NEXT:

This partnership will create a national resource that will accelerate the discovery of new treatments, and determine the most effective, personalized cystic fibrosis (CF) therapies – so patients with CF can live like they don't have CF.



GROWING LEAP

BY THE NUMBERS

STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

HOSPITAL OPERATIONS AND CLINICAL CARE

3,874 Health-care professionals
2,601 Management and support
717 Physicians

RESEARCH

* Of these, 150 are both researchers and clinicians, reflected in the clinical staff numbers above.
** <50% of time committed to research activities, all of whom are also reflected in the clinical staff numbers above.

248* Scientists
363** Project Investigators and Team Investigators
754 Research staff (primarily grant funded)
203 Research Operations staff
162 Core Facilities research staff

TRAINEES

259 Research fellows
435 Research graduate students
348 Research summer students
836 Medical Affairs residents and fellows
624 All other clinical and corporate trainees

VOLUNTEERS

1,450 Registered volunteers
240 Women's Auxiliary Volunteers (WAV)

TOTAL STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

10,456

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CLINICAL CARE

INPATIENT ACTIVITY

283.9	Average number of beds occupied daily
6.5	Average length of stay (in days)
15,988	Admissions
15,984	Discharges
103,925	Patient Days

OUTPATIENT ACTIVITY

74,346	Emergency visits
227,651	Total clinic visits
301,997	Total ambulatory visits

OPERATING ROOM CASES

6,834	Inpatient and same-day admit cases
5,581	Outpatient cases
12,415	Total OR cases

COLLABORATION BUILDS A BETTER WORLD.

SickKids initiatives around the globe build capacity to treat and manage complex health problems. For too many kids around the world, lifesaving treatments and care for chronic illnesses are not easily accessible. SickKids is working to change that through collaborative programs to improve the health of children worldwide through the advancement of health professional education, the enhancement of clinical practice, and the implementation of research in Africa, the Caribbean and the Middle East. In 2010, SickKids was awarded a contract with Hamad Medical Corporation (HMC), the principal public health-care provider for the state of Qatar.

Five-and-a-half years later, as that project nears its completion, we are proud of what we have achieved together, transforming children's health care in Qatar by developing child health research capacity, providing interdisciplinary education to physicians, nurses, and other clinical staff, and enhancing paediatric clinical programs. The achievements have been exceptional. The partnership has created a multidisciplinary clinic, providing a "one-stop shop" for patients with complex health problems. We have trained over 1,000 clinical staff at HMC in appropriate pain management for children in hospital. The way in which childhood rehabilitation services are delivered has been transformed, with more integrated, family-centred, child-focused and play-based early intervention services. All children diagnosed with cancer in Qatar are now treated in accordance with internationally recognized protocols, which have reduced the variability of treatment by different clinicians, and ensured patients receive care within the window of time set for treatment by Qatar's Supreme Council of Health.

Countries across the Caribbean do not have a system in place to support optimal management of paediatric cancer. The SickKids-Caribbean Initiative addresses gaps in care, research and education to advance the local diagnosis and management of paediatric cancer and blood disorders, working in partnership with six Caribbean countries - Barbados, Jamaica, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago, and The Bahamas. Through the generosity of our donors and partners, this initiative has raised \$8 million; opened five telemedicine rooms across the Caribbean, connecting doctors there with doctors at SickKids and around the world; trained Jamaica's first two paediatric oncologists; set up a nursing training program; and established a local hospital-based oncology database.

For many children in Ghana, preventable diseases will take their life before the age of five. SickKids has already made tremendous progress since the pilot launch of the SickKids-Ghana Paediatric Nurse Training Programme in 2011. There are now 223 paediatric nurses in 10 regions of Ghana. SickKids is now working with local partners in Ghana to train 1,500 specialized paediatric nurses to build health-system capacity and improve patient outcomes. SickKids was recently granted \$9,465,000 for our global work from Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada over the next five years and SickKids Foundation is committed to raising \$3,450,000. This project is a best-case example of using education and knowledge exchange to build sustainable capacity and health systems improvement. This will ensure the work we do here at SickKids will impact children everywhere.



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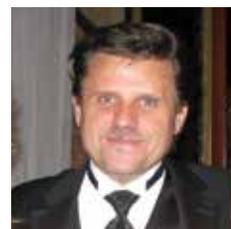
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