

## Gabe's Chemo Duck Program for Hospitals

Through therapeutic tools and play this program provides education and comfort to children living with cancer. It is an opportunity for hospitals to provide each pediatric cancer patient with a soft cuddly friend to assist them in understanding the changes in their lives and how to cope with what they are going through. Each \$25.00 donation will provide the following materials.

Materials included in the program are:

1 Training binder with useful information about Gabe's Chemo Duck program.

Information on effective distribution to families and parts of Gabe's My Heart's Parent-to-Parent resources.

3 copies of the Chemo Duck DVD that shows parents how to use Chemo Duck.

Both Port and Hickman Brovaic Ducks each with an introductory book "Meet Chemo Duck."

Copies of "I'M Still Me" activity book. A thought provoking and educational workbook designed to address topics relevant to the cancer diagnosis. The activities are designed to appeal to children of all ages.

Access to printable materials including the "Parent-to-Parent Guide". A book developed for experiences of many families who have faced childhood cancer head on. "Parent-to-Parent" offers knowledge and insight to creating a pathway through childhood cancer.

## WHAT YOUR SPONSORSHIP CAN DO

- \$25.00 will sponsor a Chemo Duck for 1 Child
- \$650.00 will sponsor a Chemo Duck for 24 Children

Each Chemo Duck comes with the following material:

- One 12" (Chemo Duck) play therapy tool used to teach children about cancer treatment.
- One 3 1/2 inch bilingual mini book containing useful ideas to introduce parents to Chemo Duck and offer some ideas for how to use him as a teaching tool.
- Activity book both thought provoking and educational. Book is designed to deal with topics in several different ways and appeal to children of all ages. "I'M STILL ME"
- Dr. Gabe Educational mini disk which includes the story behind Chemo Duck, information and tips to help parents navigate through the first weeks of treatment and a DVD. The DVD assist parents by reinforcing that parents have an active roll in their child's cancer care, ideas on how to best use Chemo Duck as an effective medical teaching tool, the ability of Chemo Duck to alleviate fears and give parents a sense of hope and encourage them to take a positive attitude towards their child's treatment.

### Donation Levels

#### **Tier 1- Sponsors 24 Ducks and accompanying materials.**

Donors that commit to this level will receive:

- Donor certificate to display in your facility
- Name recognition on the Chemo Duck website
- Recognition in our e-newsletter

#### **Tier 2- Sponsors a Hospital- covers the cost of providing the average size hospital with Gabe's Chemo Duck Program for one year.**

Donors that commit at this level will receive Tier 1 plus

- Framed donor certificate to place and display at your chosen hospital
- Logo on the Chemo Duck website linked to your website
- Recognition in the "I'm Still Me" activity book that accompanies every Chemo Duck
- A maximum of 72 Chemo Ducks, which typically supplies an average-sized hospital with Chemo Ducks for one year.

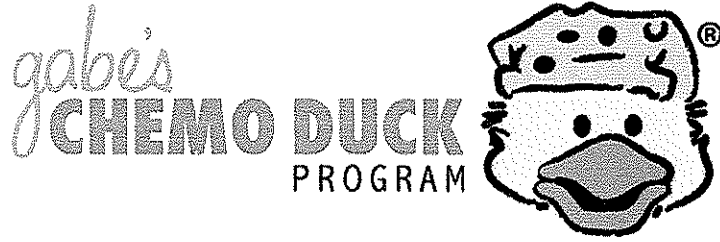
#### **Tier 3-Golden Hospital Sponsor- Covers the cost of providing the average-sized hospitals with Gabe's Chemo Duck Program for up to 3 years. Commitment at this level will receive Tiers 1 and 2 benefits plus:**

- Assistance with launch party where Gabe and Lu or Chemo Duck Mascot will present the first Chemo Duck to a patient.
- Narrative about your sponsorship in Gabe's My Heart's e-newsletter with available press release for your use.
- 00a maximum of 200 Chemo Ducks, which typically supplies an average-sized hospital with Chemo Ducks for three years.

*Having your health care team around is like watching my loved ones breathe on...*

**Lu Sipos**  
 Founder, Gabe's My Heart

ABOUT    CHEMO DUCK    FOR KIDS    FOR PARENTS    FOR HOSPITALS    HOW TO HELP    NEWS & EVENTS



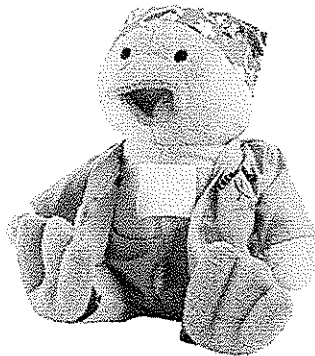
CONTACT US             SHARE

**MEET CHEMO DUCK**

Chemo Duck is Gabe's My Heart's unique play therapy tool for helping children understand cancer treatment.

**CHEMO DUCK IS:**

- A 12" soft play therapy tool.
- Designed to be soothing and visually appealing.
- Designed to mirror the child's body during chemotherapy, without being fear-provoking.
- Dressed in hospital pajamas and a bandana.
- Available in 2 models, Port or Hickman.
- Furnished with an arm immobilizer. Accompanied by a bilingual, educational book to explain how best to use your duck.
- Accompanied by a mini DVD with educational materials for parents.



Email:   
 SIGN UP FOR OUR NEWSLETTER!

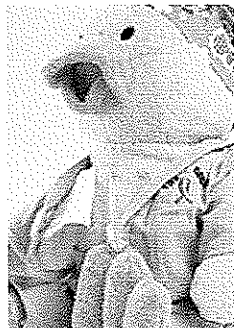


Sponsor a Chemo Duck for a child with cancer

The Port and Hickman are the two different types of catheters used to carry chemotherapy into the body.

**HICKMAN**

The Hickman is a line (or two lines) coming directly out of the chest area. It remains there constantly and must be kept clean and dry. Certain types of chemotherapy require more than one medicine at once so a Hickman line is preferable.



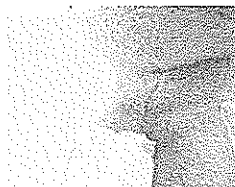
**HICKMAN**



**PORT**

**PORT**

Most of the time the port appears to be a small bump under the skin. During hospital visits the port is accessed by a small needle to enable the nurses to draw blood or administer medicine.



**NO-NO ARM IMMOBILIZER**

Most children will need a peripheral IV at some point during treatment. The arm immobilizer keeps the arm straight and protects the peripheral i.v. line.

**CHEMO DUCK GOALS**



Tell your Chemo Duck story and receive a Chemo Duck gift pack



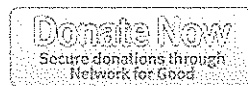
Chemo Duck's own Gabe Sipos featured in *Country Strong*

Chemo Duck is Gabe's My Heart's premier product, to educate children about their treatment in an age appropriate manner. The Duck is usually introduced to families by trained child life staff in hospitals, thus ensuring that families are aware of how best to use Chemo Duck.

Play therapy is the most instinctive mode of expression for children and promotes comfortable communication between families. Chemo Duck naturally promotes play therapy in children while allowing parents to effortlessly demonstrate purposeful modeling for their children. Parents are now able to shift into the indispensable position of primary educator in their child's healthcare team. Chemo Duck Works approach to "Whole Family" anxiety reduction is innovative as it achieves four distinct objectives:

- As an educational tool to be used by the hospital staff to teach and prepare children for treatment through education, role-play and rehearsal.
- As a means to empower the parent, restoring the role of primary educator/caregiver and including the parent in the child's healthcare team.
- As a companion, to share the child's journey through treatment and provide a learning tool with which children can discover about cancer treatment in a fun, developmentally appropriate manner.
- As a way to reach out into the community and educate peers and siblings about cancer in an age appropriate manner.

To donate \$25 and provide a Chemo Duck to child living with cancer:



Photography by Schenk Photography

## MEDIA

- [Chemo Duck Video](#)
- [Gallery](#)
- [Media](#)

## RESOURCES

- [Parent To Parent Guide](#)
- [Kids Activity Book](#)
- [Newsletter](#)

## NEWS & EVENTS!

- [Grey Ghost 5k Family Run](#)
- [Our Kids](#)

HOME | CONTACT

© 2009-2010 Gabes My Heart, INC | Design by mj corder designs