

Testimonials

Former U.S. Surgeon General
Antonia C. Novello

"In recognition of your extraordinary efforts on behalf of the children of this nation. God Bless your hard work and creativity on their behalf."

Past President

American Academy of Pediatrics
Howard A. Pearson M.D.

Professor of Pediatrics

Yale University Department of Pediatrics

"DWW represents an avenue to stimulate the creativity, participation, and enjoyment of children with medical problems, especially those in hospital. It is my hope that the *Dances With Wood* program can be transplanted to hospitals for children around the country."

Participating Hospitals

- Children's Cancer and Blood Center (TX)
- Children's Memorial Hospital (IL)
- The Children's Hospital at OU (OK)
- Duke Children's Hospital (NC)
- Hasbro Children's Hospital (RI)
- Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center (NY)
- Tulane Lakeside Hospital (LA)
- Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital (CT)
- Hassenfeld Children's Hospital at NYU (NY)

For a full list of participating hospitals, please visit our website.

www.danceswithwood.org

Founded in 1998...

The *Dances With Wood* program...

- has been used in 40 states
- has served over 40,000 children
- is provided free of charge to children and their families.

We donate all of our program materials and services. We do not receive state or federal funding.



For more information about the *Dances With Wood* program and how to make a tax-deductible contribution, please visit our website at:

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**Heals and Restores the Spirits
of Hospitalized Children
with Cancer and
Other Serious Illnesses**



**Empowered Creativity:
provides hope,
and strengthens
the will to live.**

What is *Dances With Wood*?

Dances With Wood is a creative arts program that serves children in hospitals who have life-threatening or life-limiting illnesses. It gives children the opportunity to experience the transforming power of their own imagination and creativity through woodworking projects that can be undertaken while sitting or lying in a hospital bed.



DWW helps restore energy and enthusiasm.



Each project kit comes with a workbook that provides detailed instructions to guide the child through the steps for building the wooden project. Special exercises in the workbook also promote independent learning skills, writing, reading, math, art, and storytelling - all presented with humor and encouragement.

What is the Need?

When a child has a life-threatening or life-limiting illness, treatment often spans several years of hospital visits. This may result in severe physical and emotional hardships for the child and family.

DWW Provides a distraction from fear and negative thoughts.



A Time of Vulnerability

During this time of vulnerability, educational and creative activities can be a powerful aid in fostering cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development. *Dances With Wood* was created to meet this important need. The program has been specifically designed for children who spend many long days (and often weeks) undergoing treatment in the hospital.

DWW promotes emotional and psychological growth.

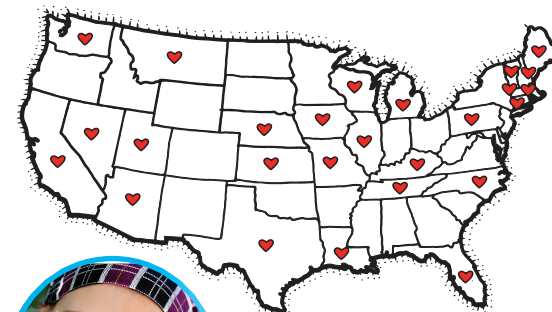


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Your donation can be used to bring the DWW program to hospitalized children anywhere in the U.S.



THANK YOU!