

Facts About Childhood Cancer 2023



About I in 260 children will develop cancer before the age of 20.



Cancer is the number one cause of death by disease among children in the USA.

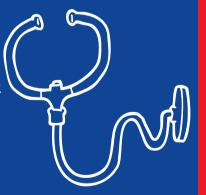
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More than 45% of childhood cancer survivors will have a significant health related issue by the time they are 45 years of age as a direct result of toxic treatments.

Wisconsin ranks number 19 in the nation for overall cases of pediatric cancer, 8th for childhood leukemia, 13th for pediatric brain & central nervous system cancers, and 13th for pediatric soft tissue sarcomas.



Those that survive have an eight times greater mortality rate due to the increased risk of liver and heart disease and secondary cancers as a direct result of toxic treatments.



Today, we have only six drugs that were approved in the first instance for use in cancer treatment for children.



One in four families lose more than 40% of their annual household income as a result of childhood cancer treatment-related work disruption, while one in three families face other work disruptions such as having to quit work or change jobs.



While more than 200 cancer drugs have been developed and approved for adults, the FDA has only approved a total of 41 drugs for use in the treatment of childhood cancers.

