Keeping the Spirit of Hope Alive!

Childhood Gynecologic Cancer Association

DID YOU KNOW? 240 cases of Childhood Gynecologic Cancer are diagnosed every year in the US

Do you know anyone who has or had a Childhood Gynecologic cancer?

The Childhood Gynecologic Cancer Association is working on promoting <u>education and research</u> in gynecologic cancers in children and adolescents.

We are forming a confidential data base of patients to assist in this important research. Please contact hope@cgynca.org

Looking Ahead:

In efforts to continue to provide education and find support for our research, CGYNCA attends health professional conferences.

This year we will be attending:

American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association Annual Scientific Meeting April 27-30 Fort Lauderdale, FL

Come check out our table



Kelly Berch, an administrative assistant in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology told her mother, Karen Berch, about the Childhood Gynecologic Cancer Association.

Kelly learned about this organization after listening to a lecture on humanism, given by Hope Haefner, M.D., professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. She told her mother about two people who work at the University of Michigan Health System, Hope Haefner, M.D. and Barbara Getty, who have devoted their spare time to assist children and adolescents with gynecologic cancers, as well as their families with survivorship needs.

Kelly's mother and cohorts made 13 quilts that were presented to Barbara and Hope at the University of Michigan Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. These quilts will be placed in a gift bag for each child diagnosed with one of these cancers throughout the year.

If you are interested in donating to the gift bags for patients, contact <u>hope@cgynca.org</u>

Examples of donations are gift cards from gas stations to help with appointments, new stuffed animals, art supplies, etc.