



We can change the future for children with cancer. Together.

A life should be long. Every child should have the chance to grow up and grow old. To plan exciting futures, chase their dreams, and fulfill their potential.

For 20 families every week here in Australia who hear the words “Your child has cancer”, those few, the carefree days of birthday parties and playdates. In their place, hospital beds and isolation rooms. The grinding slog of treatment saps the joy out of everyday life. But amid the gloom, there is hope that their child will one day pull through. That they might get the chance to grow up and grow old.

Three families every week lose that hope forever. Three children every week have their life cut short before they’ve even had a chance to make their mark. Today, cancer is still the biggest killer of children from disease in Australia.

Two-thirds of those children who do survive, go on to suffer lifelong side effects. Brittle bones and cognitive delays. Speech issues and secondary cancers. Heart problems and infertility. Being a child should be about the freedom to grow, laugh, learn, and chase your dreams. Cancer takes that freedom away. With your help, we can find ways to bring it back.

Everything we do at Children’s Cancer Institute is about helping more kids with cancer not only survive but go on to live long, healthy lives.

We can and we will find a cure. But we need to work together. Everything we have achieved at Children’s Cancer Institute has been because of people like you, who have given selflessly to help us work towards better treatments for children with cancer.

A gift in your Will has the power to change the world for these children. We know with you by our side, so much is possible. We can and we will cure all children of cancer. **It’s not if, it’s when.**

“When I think of the day Harper was diagnosed, I can’t think of our ‘then’ without feeling so extremely grateful for our ‘now’. Although the thought of relapse is definitely nerve-racking, we just keep reminding ourselves of the goals we’ve kicked because Harper has responded so well to her treatment. Thank you so much for your relentless efforts to find treatments and a cure for childhood cancer.”

- Eliza, Harper’s mum



Together, we can write the next chapter.



Today, thanks to the extraordinary support we've received from the community, we've made remarkable progress. Sixty years ago, cancer was nearly always a death sentence for a child. Today, thanks to medical research, more than eight out of 10 children survive.

People like you have helped us develop the **Minimal Residual Disease** test for acute lymphoblastic leukaemia. This research breakthrough means we can now detect which children are most susceptible to relapse so we can tailor their treatment to give them the best chance of survival.

We've created Australia's first tumour sample bank for **Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma** (DIPG), a deadly brain tumour that kills every single child it affects. This vital resource has helped us identify several promising drugs – offering the first glimmer of hope for children and their families.

And with the **Zero Childhood Cancer Program**, we are pioneering precision medicine for children with cancer. By the end of 2023, this world-leading program will be available to all children diagnosed with cancer in Australia.

We're proud of how far we've come. As the only independent medical research institute in Australia wholly dedicated to childhood cancer, our role is vital.

But there is still so much work to be done. A gift in your Will could make all the difference to the lives of children with cancer in the years to come.

Together, we won't stop until every child can live a long, happy, and healthy life.



Making and Wording your Will.

Naturally, you will want to take care of your family and loved ones first, making sure they are well looked after. We always recommend that you ask your solicitor about the best way to do this. It is also important that Children's Cancer Institute is correctly named in your Will. The wording below is provided for you to consider and take along to your solicitor.

I give to Children's Cancer Institute Australia (ABN 41 072 279 559):

1. The whole of my estate
2. (insert number) percentage of my estate
3. The residue (or % of residue) of my estate
4. The amount of \$ (insert the value of your gift in cash)
5. My (insert name of asset)

Free of all duties and testamentary expenses for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of that organisation shall be sufficient discharge to my executors for this bequest.

A popular and straightforward way to support Children's Cancer Institute in your Will is to leave a percentage of your estate once any specific and cash gifts have been made. This is known as a residuary gift. It protects the other parties in your Will and remains unaffected by inflation and other changes. You can also choose to give a specific amount of money (known as a pecuniary gift) or a specific asset, for example a property or shares.



Can we help?

If you have any questions please contact Gayle in our Gift in Will Team on **02 7209 6708** or **email bequests@ccia.org.au**



“Your decision to leave a gift in your Will can save the lives of future generations. More than that, your legacy will restore their childhood. It’s a priceless gift, no matter how modest the amount. I hope you will be a part of our story.” - Professor Michelle Haber AM
Executive Director



Artist: Harper