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Cancer in the Family Suggested Reading List

FOR PARENTS

Cancer in the Family: Helping Children Cope with a Parent's Illness, Sue P. Heiney, Joan Hermann, Katherine Bruss, Joy Fincannon, American Cancer Society, 2001.

American Cancer Society's Guide to Complimentary and Alternate Cancer Methods, American Cancer Society, April 2009.

When a Parent Has Cancer: A Guide to Caring for Your Children, Wendy Schlessel Harpham, Harper Collins, 2004 (Comes with companion children's book "Becky and the Worry Cup")

Helping People Cope: A Guide for Families Facing Cancer, J. Hermann, P Wojtkowiak, P Houts, S Kahn, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania Department of Health, 1988.

After Cancer: A Guide to Your New Life, Wendy Schlessel Harpham, Perennial, 1995.

When Someone You Love Has Cancer: A Guide to Help Kids Cope, Elf-Help Publishing, A. Lewis, R. Alley, One Caring Place, 2005.

How to Help Children Through a Parent's Serious Illness, K. McCue, R. Bonn, St. Martins Griffin, 1996.

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FOR CHILDREN

Toddler/Pre-school

Sammy's Mommy has Cancer, S. Kohlenberg, L. Crow, Magination Press, 1993

Once Upon a Hopeful Night, R. Sacks Vaffe, T. Cramer, Oncology Nursing Society, 1998.

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Tickles Tabitha's Cancer-tankerous Mommy, A. Frahm, Nutcracker, 2001

What is Cancer Anyway? Explaining Cancer to Children of All Ages, K. Carney, Dragonfly Publishing, 1998

The Hope Tree: Kids Talk About Breast Cancer (K-G4), L. Numeroff, W. Schlessel Harpham, D McPhail, Simon and Schuster, 2001

Butterfly Kisses and Wishes on Wings: When someone you love has cancer...a hopeful, helpful book for kids, E. McVicker, N. Hersh, Self Published, 2006.

Once Upon a Hopeful Night, R. Sacks Vaffe, T. Cramer, Oncology Nursing Society, 1998.

Our Mom is Getting Better, American Cancer Society, 2007

Our Dad is Getting Better, American Cancer Society, 2007

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Our Mom Has Cancer, A. Ackermann, American Cancer Society, 2002

The Year My Mom Was Bald, A. Speltz, K. Sternberg, Magination Press, 2002.

Our Family Has Cancer Too!, C. Clifford, Minnesota Press, 2002.

Lost and Found: A Kid's Book for Living Through Loss, M. Gellman, D. Tilley, Harper Collins, 1999.

Once Upon a Hopeful Night, R. Sacks Vaffe, T. Cramer, Oncology Nursing Society, 1998.

Grade 6 and Up

Will I Get Breast Cancer? Questions and Answers for Teenage Girls, C. Vogel, Silver Burdett Press, 1995.

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DVD Resources

Kids Tell Kids What Its Like When Their Mother or Father Has Cancer. Interviews with children about their parent's cancer. 15mins. DVD, Cancervive. www.cancervive.org

Daughter to Mother: Teenage Girls Whose Mothers are Living with Recurrent Breast Cancer Share Their Experiences, 15mins, Cancervic, www.cancervive.org

My Mom has Breast Cancer: A Guide for Families. 33mins, DVD in English and Spanish, KidsCope www.kidscope.org

When a Parent Has Cancer: Looney Professor Boonie Explains Cancer to Kids!
ThunderBird Samaritan Medical Center, Glendale Az, Tel. (602) 865-5450 or go to
[http://www.bannerhealth.com/Locations/Arizona/Banner+Thunderbird+Medical+Center/Programs+and+Services/Cancer+Care/Kids+Can+Cope/ Kids_Cancer.htm](http://www.bannerhealth.com/Locations/Arizona/Banner+Thunderbird+Medical+Center/Programs+and+Services/Cancer+Care/Kids+Can+Cope/Kids_Cancer.htm)

Free Pamphlets

From the American Cancer Society. Call 1-800-ACS-2345

After Diagnosis: A Guide for Patients and Families.

It Helps to Have Friends When Mom or Dad Has Cancer

When Your Brother or Sister Has Cancer

From the National Cancer Institute, Call 1-800-CANCER

When Your Parent Has Cancer: A Guide for Teens

When Someone You Love Has Advanced Cancer

When Someone You Love is Being Treated for Cancer

Caring for the Caregiver: Support for Cancer Caregivers

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