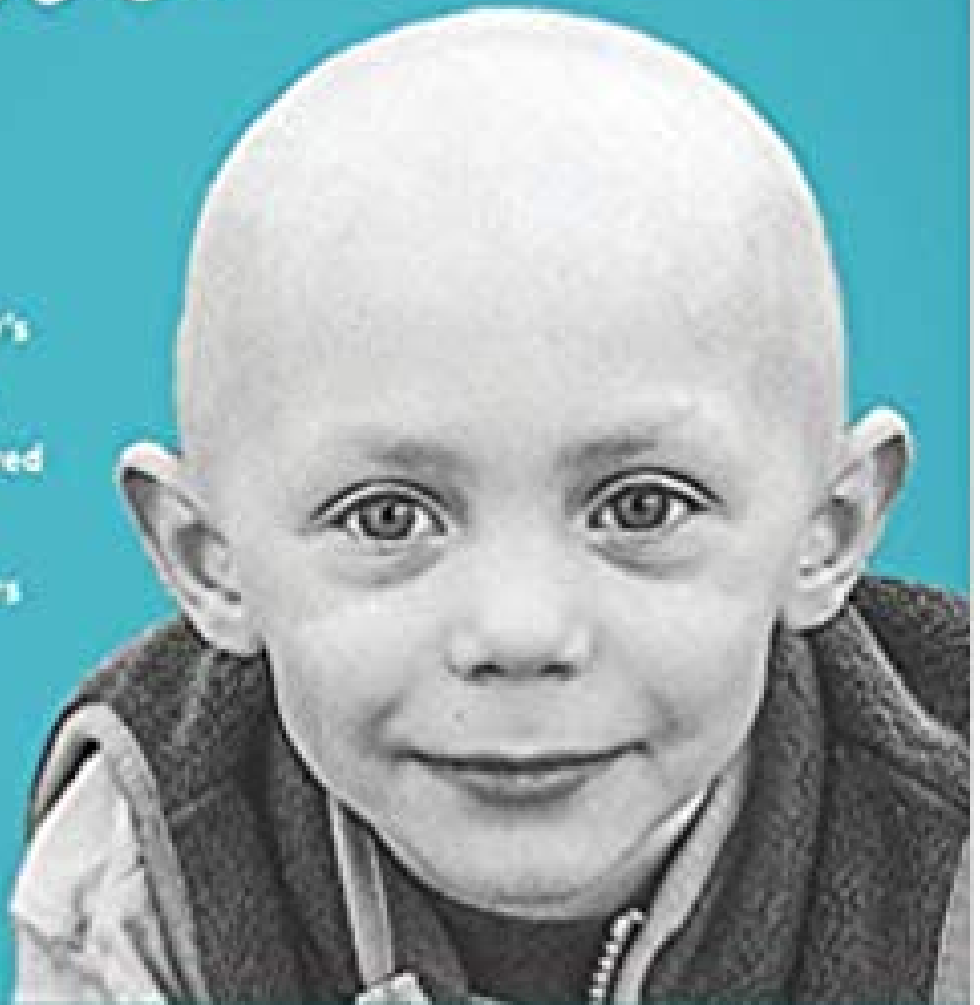


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# First Survivor: The Impossible Childhood Cancer Breakthrough



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There follows a merchant account of this closely knit, loving family members and how they reacted to learning that their 3-year old child had neuroblastoma. This allowed them to be engaged, and to overcome the analysis of "zero potential for survival. The story after that follows how they managed to cope with the tragedy - the need for constant care generally provided by assistance from the child's mom both within the cancer centers and the intervals in the home. Unger writing is definitely clear and concise and never once did I discover myself lost or struggling to understand certain methods and terms. Simultaneously these intelligent individuals had been themselves delving into treatment programs available throughout a lot of the world, suggesting possible adjustments to the sympathetic, cooperative and receptive physicians who themselves were completely involved in attempting to move treatment for these unfortunate children toward a better prognosis. And probably most importantly may be the part played by the child patient who at this early age group was immensely corporative acting with a maturity considerably beyond his age through Cat-Scans, extremely painful bone biopsies, horrendous surgical procedures and repeated bouts of chemotherapy. Fortunately, the combined efforts out of all the principals finally delivered a live individual free of this devastating disease.

Discussion: The writer has collection forth an exceptionally detailed account of your day to day activity of the child, various doctors, his wife, the kid's emotionally close brother and his hours of researching neuroblastoma. It is a book that is a must read for any parents who possess a child suffering from the same malignancy, in addition to offering a template for family members activity when even equivalent devastating disease strikes one of their small kids. For those parents recently encountering this devastating condition the author has included 13 web pages of glossary, 10 web pages of HEALTH BACKGROUND which are additional explanations and 21 pages of a concise set of the child's survival activity.

Summary: . producing observations, and generally seeking answers and options.! The experience has been considered as a "breakthrough that could change how cancer can be treated today." We anxiously followed the Unger family and Louis in their good and the bad and cannot help but feel content at the acronym 'NED'. Mark hopes this book can help other families engage in their treatment, and strongly advocate for his or her family members who are facing medical hardships. I like just how how technology was utilized to help Louis and his brother know very

well what was taking place with bad cells attacking good cells. Three sections offer useful specialized information on the condition: Glossary; HEALTH BACKGROUND; and Support Assets." I was pleased to take note that "All arises from this book will go directly to the Carrot Seed Foundation ...Mark suggests that to offer victims the best care they could have and the very best opportunity of survival, that a family members division of labor end up being drawn up and agreed to. Regarding Louis, Mother nurtures Louis throughout his disease. Dad becomes in charge of brother Harry, and for obtaining details; for patient advocacy for Louis; and for documenting the knowledge. At the time of his acquisition this malignancy offered practically zero survival price."It is well known that family members generally rely on and pay deference to the doctors and medical staff, especially in serious situations. What may i do? How should I act? - become queries of despair than of actions. Unger and his wife determined he would turn into a Mother or father Advocate - asking queries; seeking research results for potential treatments; A truly remarkable depiction of growth of a protocol that has led to an extraordinary survival rate for suffers of a malignant tumor once with an almost zero survival rate. If you are guilt laden, the knowledge stays with you: you cannot die to it, and you by no means survive it. and parents are highly advised keep notes; end up being vigilant; advocate; and learn the skill of standing up for yourself and join others in the experience. There is a much deeper lesson here worth pondering. You can become engaged and be an advocate; THE WEB not only provides professional information; The story starts with Louis 1st being diagnosed on Thanksgiving 2001 and is finally declared cured in March 2008. Mr. Kids today are also very Internet savvy. Parent Advocacy is now "an educational add-on to every hospital stay";"I think that this book is a best seller in the real sense of the word, sensitively written; will come sooner. The tale itself has its own effectiveness, but much more is offered to anyone reading the publication. or it is possible to wallow in self-pity and guilt. it also offers opportunities to build online communities which can help answer questions, share experiences, and soothe hardships.to invest in neuroblastoma clinical trials and support the kids and households who are stricken by this disease. I worked with Mark Unger for several years, including the years Louis was being treated. These represent critical information gathered and used by Unger in creating a knowledge foundation for himself and for others reading the book. The author calls this: "... shine[ing] light down the trap door and sign up for[ing] others in the experienceUnger advises us that, ultimately, it was eventually up to us to protect our sick, and to find the best path because of their survival, and that this is an important component of the mix.The Internet is a most effective source of information open to most. providing hope and power to those that read and recognize that "There are no dead ends, only new paths" Courage and Heroics "First Survivor" by Mark Unger may be the extraordinary story of his child Louis, who at age three, is diagnosed with a rare type of tumor called "Neuroblastoma" and is diagnosed with a zero chance of survival when the cancers spreads to his brain. It would be better to launch (die to) the experience and the results. Unger and his wife Mary Ellen refuse to give up their son and as a final holiday resort sign up for a trial at Sloan Kettering Cancer tumor Center in NYC where 3F8 antibodies 8Hg antibodies circumvents the brain's barrier and so are released into the fluid surrounding the brain and strike and kill all staying cancer cells. Your child may still succumb if you are an advocate, but you will know that you gave your very best to his/her care. Throughout that time the kid is put through a huge selection of treatments that are in lots of ways might be regarded cruel, but which in the long run are all area of the treatment. Louis can be one hell of a courageous boy and his parents, doctors, family, and friends play a major component in his recovery and

treatment. Mr. Simultaneous the tries by the father to keep his just slightly old brother who was simply the stricken kid's constant companion from sense unloved and 'remaining out', And all this while attempting to maintain some business activity.



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