

The Family Resource Room  
The Oncology Center at St. Joseph Hospital



Did you know that the Family Resource Room offers access to over 100 books, dozens of free education pamphlets and a computer with internet access?

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# Against All Odds History



In November 1994, Jerry Kaplan awoke with a major pain in his back. After a series of tests in Nashua and Boston,

he was diagnosed with liver cancer. He was told that he had 3 to 6 months to live. But Jerry did not give up. With the help of family and extensive research, Jerry found and contacted a surgeon who specialized in this type of liver cancer and went to California to have complex liver surgery to remove his tumor. After his return to Nashua he underwent a nine-month regimen of chemotherapy and radiation. Six years later, **against all odds**, Jerry celebrated his 60th birthday.

In 1998, as a result of his experience and his desire to help other cancer patients advocate for themselves,

Jerry founded **Against All Odds**, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. The agency's mission is to provide support to cancer patients, survivors, and their families. The agency, through its fundraising and volunteer base, helps patients research their cancer and access support services. The agency also provides items that help make therapy less stressful and life more comfortable.



Among the many accomplishments, **Against All Odds** has contributed funding for a patient resource room in the Oncology Center at St. Joseph Hospital for the greater Nashua community. In the future **Against All Odds** expects to open similar centers to other medical institutions in Nashua.

Although Jerry ultimately lost his battle against cancer, his dream to help others continues through **Against All Odds**.

## How Can We Help You!

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### Are there services you or a family member need that we can help you find?

1. Are you in need of a ride to treatment or a doctor's appointment?  
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2. Would you like to talk to someone who has been dealing with similar issues?  
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3. Do you know where to look for assistance and what resources are available in your community?  
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4. Would you like to help others by volunteering with Against All Odds?  
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5. Would you like to make a contribution?  
Please send your **tax-deductible check** to: Against All Odds, Inc., P. O. Box 6046, Nashua, NH 03063.
6. Please use the space below, to let us know of any other ways we can help you.

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