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Director
Cancer Research Center
Los Alamos, New Mexico

Dear Sir:

My sister telephoned me today. She had just heard a report from Ohio State University on the development of a Cobalt therapy technique which enables the rays to be directed to a specific diseased area without affecting surrounding cells. The report stated this enables larger doses to be given to the tumor; the technique or equipment being available at three research institutes, Los Alamos being one.

My [redacted] year old daughter, [redacted] has an Apendumo Blastoma of her left cerebral hemisphere found October 1972, at St. Patrick's Hospital, Missoula, Montana. Her first symptoms were of increased intercranial pressure. A Craniotomy was performed and 4 oz. of fluid aspirated from a cyst, because it was an infiltrating tumor, a biopsy only was done. She was treated with Cobalt, 5000 rads, total head irradiation. Brain scans between January 1974 and May 1974 show growth. Carotid Angiogram in May shows a "large" tumor with some calcification and a small cyst. She continues to play independently with her friends; she has marked right side weakness which is progressing slowly beginning in May 1974. She is a strong personality

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St. Joseph's Hospital, Phoenix, Arizona, plans surgery when she shows incresed intercranial pressure at which time he will evacuate



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the cyst and remove some of the tumor, if possible.

My question, could she receive more Cobalt with this advance in therapy. I can bring [REDACTED] and her records at anytime to Los Alamos for evaluation and/or treatment. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,
[REDACTED]

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