

SAA-DENVER IMPACT REPORT



\$\text{SWIM ACROSS AMERICA} 2023 GRANT AMOUNT \\ \$135,000

OUR LOCAL BENEFICIARY



SAA-DENVER HAS RAISED OVER

\$1.1 MILLION

TO FIGHT CANCER SINCE 2018

RESEARCH EMPHASIS







GRANT RECIPIENTS



Dr. Michael Edwards
The cancer predisposition
program led by Dr. Michael
Edwards will develop best
practices in research and
treatment for children with
cancer predisposition syndromes
and work in concert with our
adult oncology partners to
continue life- span care for
families affected by genetic
predisposition syndromes.



Dr. Allison L'Hotta
The cancer rehabilitation
program development project,
led by Dr. Allison L'Hotta, is
studying ways to help pediatric
cancer patients recover from
their treatment and the negative
physical consequences of
intensive therapies that may
include surgery, radiation, and
chemotherapy across months
and years of treatment.



Dr. Sandra Luna-Fineman
The rare tumors and retinoblastoma
project, led by Dr. Luna-Fineman, will
develop a more comprehensive
program in retinoblastoma. She will
participate in and lead clinical trials
for children with retinoblastoma,
provide more support to the families
in education/learning, build adaptive
programs for children who suffer
blindness as a result of their cancer
treatment, and better establish longterm follow-up programs.

CHILDHOOD CANCER IN THE UNITED STATES BY THE NUMBERS

47 CHILDREN

DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER EVERY DAY

10 YEARS OLD

AVERAGE AGE AT DIAGNOSIS

1 IN 5

CHILDREN DO NOT SURVIVE

ONLY 6

DRUGS DEVELOPED AND APPROVED SPECIFICALLY FOR CHILDREN IN THE LAST 25 YEARS

ONLY 4%

OF NIH FUNDING ALLOCATED TO CHILDHOOD CANCER RESEARCH

95%

OF SURVIVORS WILL EXPERIENCE A SIGNIFICANT SIDE EFFECT BY AGE 45



