WE’RE GOING HOME...
DIALYSIS AT HOME

AN ALL-AGES COLORING BOOK
Aiden is going home to complete his dialysis treatment. What is dialysis?
Dialysis cleans the blood and removes extra fluid when your kidneys don’t work well enough on their own.
Our bodies need nutritious food for energy and health. The body uses what it needs from the food and the rest is removed as waste.
Some of the waste is removed as urine or what we sometimes call “pee”.
Aiden does a type of dialysis called Peritoneal. There is a tube in his belly that connects to tubing from the dialysis machine.
Aiden has to wash his hands, wear a mask and connect his tube to the dialysis machine. After that he takes off his mask and has a snack while completing his homework.
After Aiden’s treatment is finished, he can participate in all the activities he loves to do...like spending time with his favorite pets.
Finally, when Aiden goes to bed, he connects to the dialysis machine again and goes to sleep. In the morning he disconnects from the machine and starts his day.
Down the street, Katy is getting ready for a different kind of dialysis.
It is called hemodialysis.
Katy’s mom sets the machine up after dinner.
She washes her hands and gets everything ready. She puts needles in Katy’s arm and connects them to the dialysis machine.
Katy does her homework, watches t.v. and spends time with her family. Her treatment takes about 3 hours, 4 days a week.
Once a month Katy her mom and dad, meet with her care team. There is a doctor, dietician, social worker and the nurse. They work together to keep Katy healthy.
There’s nothing like being at home.
**CAMP OKAWEHNA**

In 1974, Camp Okawehna was established. Located just 50 miles outside of Nashville, Tennessee, Camp Okawehna is a week long summer experience for children with kidney disease. Children who have had a kidney transplant as well as those children on hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis are welcomed at camp. While sponsored by DCI, all children between the ages of 6 to 18 years of age are eligible to attend regardless of where their treatment is received. Camp “O”, as it is affectionately called, is the only kidney camp located in the state of Tennessee and one of the largest kidney camps in the country.

For more information or to register for camp O, visit [www.dciinc.org/campo](http://www.dciinc.org/campo).

**WESTERN PA KIDNEY KAMP**

In 1994, Western PA Kidney Kamp was established. Located on the 600+ acres of Ligonier Camp and Conference Center, outside historical Ligonier, Pennsylvania. WPAKK is a week long summer kamp experience for children in various stages of kidney disease. With a full schedule of activities and experiences for kids 8-16 years of age, everything is provided to the kampers including food, lodging. Peritoneal dialysis is provided on-site while hemodialysis is provided at the local DCI in Mt. Pleasant.

For more information or to register for WPAKK, visit [www.dciinc.org/pa-kidney-kamp](http://www.dciinc.org/pa-kidney-kamp).