What we do



Around 30% of the children we help have cancer. 70% have other serious, chronic and life threatening conditions.

We provide over 20 different services with bespoke care for every seriously ill child and their families. Whatever they need, for however long they need it

Practical and Emotional Support

Family Liaison Officers (FLO)

Each family's dedicated support worker is there for them 24/7, meeting parents and arranging a bespoke package of continuous care

Food and Household Support

It's often the things we all take for granted that weigh so heavily for parents coping with a sick child. Cleaning to help keep the house straight or a hot meal can make a huge difference

Specialist Equipment

We provide individuals with special pieces of equipment such as a chair for a child with uncontrolled pain, or a braille Monopoly set

Hospital Transport

We offer a 24/7 transport service to help reduce the stress of getting a sick child to hospital

Home Based Respite Care

Emergency short-term respite, for a few hours or overnight, where parents urgently need a break and some rest

Home School Tuition

Camp Simcha tutors make home visits to support children with school work whilst they cope with illness and hospital stays

Benefits and Grants Advice

Our benefits advisor can give advice and support, cutting through the red tape to help parents access benefits

Premature and Sick Babies Project

Nurse visits and advice at home for parents bringing premature and seriously ill babies home from hospital

International Connections

As part of an international network we put families in touch with each other throughout the world, we help families seek treatment and advice in other countries and ensure they have support when they are there

Therapeutic Support

Therapy For Family Members

Counselling for parents and siblings who are struggling to cope emotionally with their child or sibling being seriously ill

Home Based Therapeutic Art, Music And Drama Sessions

Hands on, creative one-on-one sessions to bring sensory fun and therapeutic distraction to children coping with illness and treatments

Support Groups And Anti-Stress Programmes For Parents

Opportunities for parents to take a break and switch off from the constant worry, from Spa Days to coffee mornings to socials

Animal Assisted Therapy

Trips to the animal therapy center or a weekly visit and play with our loveable, specially trained dogs brings stress relief and joy to the whole family

Powerful Positive Experiences

Camp Simcha Big Brothers & Big Sisters

Our incredible 'Big Sisters and Brothers' are special friends to the seriously children and siblings, visiting weekly and taking them on outings and retreats

Dedicated Sibling Programme

When a child is sick, siblings can be the forgotten sufferers but we provide support events and fun activities just for the siblings

Parties and Outings

Theme park trips, concerts and our incredible Camp Simcha parties, there is something to bring joy to every child

Individual Support and Treats

There are so many ways in which a special treat or a gift can give a child and family precious memories. We make tomorrow's treat more important than today's treatment

Camp Simcha USA

An opportunity for seriously ill children to go with their own volunteer and medical support to Camp Simcha in the USA

Keshet Summer Scheme

Summer scheme for seriously ill children and their siblings to enjoy fantastic outings and holiday fun, with respite for parents

Children's Residential Retreat (UK)

A rare chance for seriously ill children to spend four days away having fun with their peers, with all their medical needs catered for

For the Whole Family

Family Retreat

A few days of restorative fun and relaxation for the family, enjoying amazing activities and time with others who share their burden

For the Community

Hospital Programme

Balloons, special cuddly monkeys and toys delivered to over 7,000 children in hospital in London and Manchester

Schools Support Programme

Support for school staff dealing with siblings or friends of a child who becomes ill or passes away