

Dear Parents:

As a parent of a child with Cerebral Palsy, I thought this information would be of great interest to you. I have just returned from Vancouver, British Columbia where my son Jerret received Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy. (HBOT).

During our stay in Vancouver we received the therapy sessions at the Richmond Hyperbaric Health Center. I was informed that the Richmond Center is organizing a Clinical Trial specifically for children with Cerebral Palsy in the near future.

I suggested to the owner of the center that some children from Manitoba might want to be included in the clinical trial. With much consideration and conversation they have agreed to allow us to have 8 spaces for the children. This clinical trial is to take place in Richmond, British Columbia.

HBOT shows great promise for our children. Please take the time to consider this opportunity. It is my hope that someday we will have a Hyperbaric Oxygen Chamber in operation by which all Manitobans can benefit. This prospective study is the first step towards this goal.

If you would like more information please contact Arleen Gallo at (204) 571-1666 or Marie Wiebe at (204) 822-2095. I have enclosed a brochure on the therapy for your information. The clinical trial would like to take place July through October 2000, so please give this your immediate attention. For further information on the center or the clinical trial you can call 1-888-373-0888, by E-mail at hbot@richmond-hyperbaric.com and you can also visit their web site at www.richmond-hyperbaric.com

Thank you,

Sincerely



Arleen Gallo

Hi Florence

Here are some letters of support as well as the letter that will be put in the C.P. News paper this month. There are more letters coming as well. If you have any further questions feel free to call me. One more thing, the C.P. ass. recieved another letter from the government, which they will also be putting in the C.P. news paper, that states that there is no chamber in Canada that is liscenced to treat: C.P., Migraines, M.S. etc. as far as they are concerned

Jerry

June 26, 2000

We are writing this letter in support Hyperbaric Oxygen therapy that my son Jerret has received. He has done 40 sessions of 1 hour per session at the Richmond Hyperbaric Treatment Center in Richmond B.C.

As a result of the therapy we have noticed Jerret's legs are less stiff and spastic. Jerret's arms are substantially less spastic, he is now able to reach out with his arms and grab objects. Before therapy his arms were restricted and tight to the chest. His pediatrician after observing Jerret notice a marked difference in dexterity of his arms and hands.

Jerret's head control is much better since receiving the therapy. His drooling is now minimal, before the therapy he needed to be changed two or three times a day.

He has to date not had a seizure, this is now going on the two month, his seizures were normally two weeks apart.

The most improvement I have notice is in his argumentative skills. He has a vocabulary increase of 25-35 new words, he is now putting two words together and his response time has been heightened.

He seems much more contented, this could be due to the fact that his communication skills have been enhanced and his frustration level is minimal.

We as parents of a special needs child we have tried many different therapy's with our son, some has showed minimal improvement, some no improvement at all. Hyperbaric Oxygen therapy is very promising and has been the therapy that has showed the most change and improvement in Jerret. This therapy needs to be recognized by all aspects of the medical community and seen for the valued tool it is to improve quality of life for people with Cerebral Palsy.

Sincerely,

Arleen and Jerry Gallo