

Andy Yost was diagnosed with Myelodysplastic Syndrome, a type of pre-leukemia also known as Smouldering Leukemia. He arrived at Duke University on May 5, 2003 to undergo a stem cell transplant. He received extensive testing through May and remained under critical care at Duke University after his transplant last summer. After several months of being away from friends and family here in Baltimore, Andy came home at the end of November 2003. Andy remains under the care of Dr. Wiley at Sinai Hospital, whose preliminary medical attention made it possible for Andy to begin his journey.

He is an incredible young man, He's been so strong and optimistic throughout his illness. Despite the dangers he faced and the challenges that are still ahead, he remains brave and accepting.

Our prayers continue for Andy's healing and 100% recovery, as well as for all the children and their families who struggle with traumatic diseases and disorders.

Andy is now home in Baltimore and is enjoying time with family and friends. He is eager to get back to the things he enjoys, especially ice hockey and baseball.