BOB IS IN NEED OF A PARTIAL LIVING LIVER DONOR

We know this is a big "ask." We also know you may have questions and possibly concerns. We're sharing this flyer in the hope that we can provide you with the information you need to make an informed decision.

BOB'S STORY

In May 2022, Bob was diagnosed with advanced liver cancer when MRI scans revealed a large tumor in the left lobe and multiple smaller ones in the right lobe. He contracted Hepatitis C at age 23 from a blood transfusion during surgery after a cycling accident, and was born with Hemochromatosis, a genetic disorder that can cause severe liver disease. Bob was successfully treated for hepatitis C in 2015, but a lifetime of chronic liver disease led to his cancer.

Since June 2022, Bob has undergone two interventional <u>radioembolizations</u> and many drip <u>immunotherapy</u> <u>treatments</u>, which killed 90% of the cancer and temporarily improved liver function. However, his stimulated immune system caused multiple adverse events, resulting in acute kidney injury and anemia. These conditions prevent him from continuing liver cancer treatment, potentially leading to cancer growth and metastasis.

WHY A LIVING DONOR?

There are few, less effective treatments available to Bob at this time. With a high likelihood of disease progression, Bob's best path forward is a partial living liver donor transplant. This option will not only improve his quality of life, but extend it.



YES! I'M INTERESTED

If you are interested in becoming Bob's living donor, visit

www.yourgiftworks.com/bobr and complete the short contact form. A living donor advocate will reach out to you within 1 business day to answer any questions you may have and will guide you through the next steps in the process.

YES! BUT I HAVE QUESTIONS & CONCERNS

Having questions is normal! We have a great resource available. Please visit <u>Bob's liver</u> website and complete the contact form. A living donor advocate will then reach out to you. The advocate is a living donor who can answer any non-medical questions you may have, guide you through the process, and connect you to great resources.

NO, BUT I WANT TO HELP

Thank you! The best way you can help is by following Bob's liver Facebook page and sharing posts from his page as much as possible. The more shares we get, the more people we can reach, and the better chance we will have of finding Bob's generous donor.



COMMON QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

WAS THE FAMILY TESTED?

Bob's close family cannot donate due to age or health. What most people do not know is that in many cases, the best living donor is someone who is outside of the family.

DO I NEED INSURANCE TO DONATE?

Bob's insurance will provide coverage for the donor's testing and surgery, the donor needs to have their own health insurance in the rare event any unknown health issues come up for the donor.

WHAT ABOUT MY EXPENSES?

While Bob's insurance covers all costs related to the donation (for him and the donor), there are expenses like travel, meals, and lost wages that you may be reimbursed for. There are resources available to ensure you are not paying for anything out of pocket. The team at GiftWorks can provide more information about those resources, if interested.

WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO DONATE?

The University of Utah Health has shared the following as a pre-qualification list for donation:

be between the ages of 18-55 have good overall physical and mental health be free of major health problems such as diabetes and obesity

HOW LONG IS THE RECOVERY PROCESS?

Living liver donors generally recover within 2 to 8 weeks. Only a section of the liver is removed. In a few months, the liver regenerates, and the removed section regrows.

I HAVE NON-MEDICAL QUESTIONS ABOUT BECOMING A DONOR?

Visit <u>Bob's liver website</u> and complete the contact form. Within 1 business day, a living donor advocate will reach out to you. This is an excellent opportunity to speak with someone who is a living donor and can not only answer your non-medical questions, but share more about their experience. If you have medical questions, we can connect you to the appropriate team member at the University of Utah Health.

WHAT HAPPENS IF A LIVING LIVER DONOR IS NOT FOUND?

The ideal outcome for Bob is to find a living donor. His MELD score will never be high enough for him to receive a deceased liver donation. Therefore, a partial living liver donation is the solution. We know that his generous donor is out there!











WHAT ELSE CAN I DO TO HELP?

- 1. Share Bob's story with those you know. Send them the <u>link to his website</u> or share this brochure.
- 2. Follow <u>Bob's liver Facebook page</u>. This page will educate interested donors and allow us to reach more people. You can help by sharing Bob's Facebook page with your family and friends. Doing so will make a huge difference.
- 3. "Like" and "Share" the posts on <u>Bob's liver Facebook page</u>. The more posts are shared, the more people we will reach, and the better chance we will have of finding Bob's living liver donor.

Please know that we are so grateful for your support. We appreciate your help, prayers, and kind words as Bob continues his transplant journey.

