

Remember Chris O'Brien
Lifehouse in your Will ...



... and leave a legacy of
hope for future generations.



At Chris O'Brien Lifeshouse we treat people not just cancer

As our Australian population ages, the prevalence of a cancer diagnosis increases. By the age of 85 one in two men and one in three women will be diagnosed with cancer.

Thanks to ongoing research, the outlook, however, is changing. Some cancers are now being controlled and clinical trials are delivering hopeful prospects for the future. Additionally, there is a 66% increase in the survival rate of cancer patients in Australia five years after a cancer diagnosis. And while cancer is a leading cause of death in Australia, accounting for about three in ten deaths, the death rate has fallen by more than 16%.

Chris O'Brien Lifeshouse is an independent, not-for-profit, comprehensive cancer hospital, dedicated solely to treating cancer. Our aim is to turn new discoveries into better cancer treatment and care, making things easier for our patients.

Named to honour the late Professor Chris O'Brien whose leadership and vision brought about the creation of a patient focused Centre of Excellence, Lifeshouse strives to break new ground not only in our collaborative cancer research but also in our compassion and respect for the people we treat.

Our standards of excellence and

uncompromising care aim to achieve lasting and innovative change in the way we treat and prevent cancer by bringing together all the elements of cancer treatment, care and support under the one roof. By providing a place of hope and healing in a unique environment we want to ensure our patients are supported in all aspects of their treatment and care and do not feel they are alone in dealing with their illness.

Thanks to the generosity of people leaving a gift in their Will, Lifeshouse has been able to invest in research, medical equipment and innovative patient programs. No matter the amount, your bequest will leave a lasting and impactful legacy in transforming treatment and care for future generations of Lifeshouse cancer researchers, surgeons, medical staff and cancer patients.

Together we can create a future without cancer.

Eileen Hannagan
CEO, Chris O'Brien Lifeshouse



Pioneering Research at Chris O'Brien Lifehouse

As a comprehensive cancer centre dedicated to transforming cancer care in Australia, Chris O'Brien Lifehouse is at the forefront of cancer research, ensuring our patients have access to cutting edge treatments that deliver the best possible outcomes.

A gift in your Will supports our goals of providing uncompromising care to people diagnosed with cancer, their families and carers, through discovery, research and technology.

“Medicine is constantly evolving,” says Professor Michael Boyer AM, (pictured above) Chris O'Brien Lifehouse's Chief Clinical Officer. “To ensure we remain at the forefront of the latest approaches to cancer care and treatment, Lifehouse has dedicated research teams focusing on innovations across a broad range of areas relating to cancer treatment and care.”

“This provides a tremendous opportunity for our patients and team members to get involved in vital research, including trials of new drugs, devices and pioneering treatment techniques.

Professor Boyer says that such opportunities have already led to advances in lung cancer treatment. “Now, rather than using chemotherapy, we can treat patients with just one tablet a day. These kinds of advances,

along with those strides we are making in melanoma, breast and other cancers mean we are fulfilling our mission of making treatment easier and helping people with cancer to live longer.”

“Our work at Chris O'Brien Lifehouse is about making a difference to our patients and their families. By leaving a gift you will be helping us to do even more.”

To learn more about research at Chris O'Brien Lifehouse visit:

www.mylifehouse.org.au/cancer-research





You can help create a future without cancer

You don't have to be a doctor or nurse to make a difference to people's lives. A gift in your Will is a lasting legacy that invests in the ongoing work of Chris O'Brien Lifehouse, an independent, not-for-profit cancer hospital that treats and cares for over 50,000 cancer patients annually.

Every bequest, no matter the amount, makes a difference to our work in transforming treatment and care for all Australian cancer patients as well as their carers, families and friends.

By leaving a gift to Chris O'Brien Lifehouse in your Will, you help us bring hope to people living with cancer. A valid Will is the only legal way to ensure that your wishes are carried out and that those who you care about and the charities you support will continue to be looked after in the future. Your solicitor will help you word your Will in a way that ensures your Executors are able to effectively carry out your wishes. We always recommend you ensure your wishes are made known to your loved ones before making a bequest.

Lifehouse Preferred option:

RESIDUE OF YOUR ESTATE

In your Will we always recommend you first look after your loved ones and ensure any debt is paid. Once this is done the rest, or residue, of your estate can be left to Chris O'Brien Lifehouse. The appropriate wording for this type of Will is:

I give, devise and bequeath the rest and residue of my estate remaining, free of all duties for the general purposes of Lifehouse Australia Trust ABN 70 388 962 804 of registered office Level 5, 119-143 Missenden Road, Camperdown, New South Wales 2050 and declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other authorised officer shall be sufficient discharge for my executor.

Other options:

A GIFT OF PROPERTY

You might wish to leave Chris O'Brien Lifehouse a specific gift such as property, shares, jewellery or art. The appropriate wording for this type of Will is:

I give, devise and bequeath [specify sufficient details of the gift being bequeathed, such as all my shares Telstra Corporation Limited or my principal place of residence in which I am living immediately prior to my death] free of all duties to Lifehouse Australia Trust ABN 70 388 962 804 of registered office Level 5, 119 - 143 Missenden Road, Camperdown, New South Wales 2050, for its general purposes and declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other authorised officer shall be sufficient discharge for my executor.

Gifts for Specific Purposes

You might wish for your estate to support medical research at Chris O'Brien Lifehouse or for another specific purpose such as to support patient programs. The appropriate wording for this type of Will is:

I give, devise and bequeath [percentage of estate/specific gift, etc] free of all duties to Lifehouse Australia Trust ABN 70 388 962 804 of registered office Level 5, 119 -143 Missenden Road, Camperdown, New South Wales 2050 to use towards [eg. research in the area of colorectal cancer] and declare that the receipt of the Treasurer or other authorised officer shall be sufficient discharge for my executor.

A Living Will

YOUR FUTURE INTENTIONS GIVEN TODAY

Chris O'Brien Lifehouse bequestors thoughtfully plan for a future without cancer by leaving Lifehouse a gift in their Will and we are greatly appreciative of the philanthropic support we receive. However, why not talk to Lifehouse about leaving part of your bequest right now?

Rather than waiting, a Living Bequest is a tax-deductible gift which is brought forward by a bequestor to support our present day work. Your Living Bequest will give you the opportunity to see firsthand the impact of your legacy and to meet, and stay in touch with, the people you're so generously supporting.

Executors and Solicitors

For detailed Information for Executors and Solicitors, including downloadable certificates, visit:

www.mylifehouse.org.au/solicitors/

The Mission of Chris O'Brien Lifehouse:

Our mission is to improve the quality of life of cancer patients, carers and their families by advancing the understanding, diagnosis, treatment and cure and prevention of the disease.

Chris O'Brien Lifehouse is a not-for-profit cancer hospital treating public and private patients.

Donations to Lifehouse of \$2.00 and over are tax-deductible.

Legal name and ABN:

LIFEHOUSE AUSTRALIA (ABN 57 100 492 644) AS TRUSTEE FOR THE LIFEHOUSE AUSTRALIA TRUST (ABN 70 388 962 804)

Australia Trust has changed its name a number of times but was originally known as the Sydney Cancer Centre Foundation Trust (as evidenced by the ABN)

Hospital Provider Number: 0027350Y
Charitable Fundraising Number: 17573

The Director of Corporate Services is authorised to accept payment on behalf of our organisation.

Cheques should be made payable to:
Chris O'Brien Lifehouse.

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT): We can also provide bank account details if EFT is preferred.

Restricted bequests (or donations) given in support of Chris O'Brien Lifehouse are directed for the purpose for which they are given e.g. cancer research, medical equipment, patient programs etc.

General purposes means a bequest (or donation) will be placed into the general account of Lifehouse which can be used for a range of purposes including infrastructure or may directed by the Lifehouse Board of Directors to the area where there is the most need (e.g. research, equipment, patient needs, medical support staff) as determined from discussions with senior and executive staff.

For more information, please contact Bequest Manager on (02) 8514 0006 or email: bequests@lh.org.au

Chris O'Brien Bequest Society

The Chris O'Brien Bequest Society recognises those thoughtful people who have decided to leave a gift in their Will to Chris O'Brien Lifehouse and have advised us of their intention to do so. Special events held twice yearly offer the opportunity for Society members to personally meet with key medical and executive staff to learn firsthand about the latest research and other breakthroughs in patient treatment and care. As well you meet like-minded individuals, have a tour of the hospital and enjoy some light refreshments. The Chris O'Brien Society recognises and honours its members by including their names on an Honour Board located within Lifehouse.

To advise that you have left a gift in your Will please call the Lifehouse Bequests Manager, on (02) 8514 0006 or email: bequests@lh.org.au



Gail O'Brien, Patron, Chris O'Brien Bequest Society



“By coming together,
our lives can touch
and affect many
individuals whom we
may never meet.”

Prof. Chris O'Brien AO

MS MD FRCS (Hon) FRACS

3 January 1952 – 4 June 2009

Tom's Story

Tom McNamara always brings a bunch of flowers for his doctor, Catriona McNeil, a senior staff specialist at Chris O'Brien Lifehouse.

Tom, suffering from melanoma and told he had just three months to live, was one of dozens of Australian patients who took part in the successful trial of the new melanoma drug pembrolizumab, or Keytruda, one of the top cancer treatment breakthroughs in the last century.

“Catriona has kept me alive. When I was first diagnosed with metastatic melanomas, she organised my acceptance on a clinical trial for this new drug. She gave me confidence that she could keep me alive for at least two years.”

Since that time Mr McNamara has celebrated his 76th birthday, which he never expected to reach - especially after being told he'd never reach his 75th!

Chris O'Brien Lifehouse is currently involved in more than 100 clinical trials, in collaboration with more than 30 pharmaceutical companies, biotech and collaborative groups and their research partners. Our clinical trials ensure our cancer patients have safe and timely access to the latest treatments and approaches to surgery, pathology, radiation therapy, chemotherapy, targeted therapy, supportive care, pain control and diagnostic methods.

Our goal is to offer all our patients an opportunity to participate in a clinical trial in keeping with our core values of collaboration, respect, empowerment, nurture and discovery.



“Lifehouse helped me so I am giving to help Lifehouse.”

– Tom McNamara, Bequestor

Dr McNeil says: “For many years, we didn't have any really effective treatments for melanoma – it's only in the last decade, or even the last two to three years, that we've seen really big breakthroughs. The ramifications of pembrolizumab's success for other cancers are quite astonishing. The scope and potential for these drugs is truly amazing and will probably revolutionise all of cancer care.”

For Tom, he makes the most of every day by gardening and visiting friends. Tom has also chosen to leave Lifehouse a gift in his Will. His reason for doing so is simple. “Lifehouse has helped me. I hope my gift to Lifehouse might help others.”

A photograph of the Chris O'Brien Lifehouse building, a modern multi-story structure with a mix of glass, metal, and stone facades. The name "Chris O'Brien Lifehouse" is written vertically in large, dark letters on a textured stone pillar in the center of the building. The sky is clear and blue.

Chris O'Brien Lifehouse

“By leaving a gift in your Will to Chris O’Brien Lifehouse you will be supporting our vision in transforming cancer treatment for Australians though an environment thriving on discovery, research and uncompromising care.”

Eileen Hannagan
CEO, Chris O'Brien Lifehouse

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