

## To Our Past CHOC Patients:

The CHOC Cancer Institute is in the process of forming a Youth Mentoring Program in partnership with Working Against Cancer (WAC). Informal mentoring has been a part of the oncology patient care for years and continues to be a way for patients to speak to survivors about the treatment process. We would like to invite you to participate as mentors for our newly diagnosed cancer patients.

Working Against Cancer provides a formal mentoring structure for children, adolescents and young adults by matching them with survivors based on cancer diagnosis, sex, age, interests and parameters supportive of a positive relationship.

On Saturday, January 21, 2006, from 10:00am-11:30am, we will be hosting a mentoring program orientation session. This orientation will be held in the CHOC West Building where the outpatient clinics are located. We will be meeting in Conference Room A, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the clinic building, adjacent to the Cancer Institute clinic.

The orientation will provide information on the role of the mentor and the training that will be provided in order to be a successful mentor.

We hope you will join us as we begin to develop our mentoring program. Please contact Stephanie Guastella, Executive Director of the CHOC Cancer Institute to RSVP or for additional information. She can be reached at 714-516-4207 or sguastella@choc.org