# Beads of Courage<sup>®</sup> Programs

Providing innovative arts-in-medicine programs for children and teens coping with serious illness, their families and the clinicians who care for them.



## Beads of Courage® Flagship Program

is an arts-in-medicine program that aids in emotional healing for children and teens coping with serious illness.

- Worldwide standard of care in 300+ hospitals
- Strengthens resilience, a sense of well-being and quality of life
- Narrative medicine providing a visual and tangible way to RECORD, TELL, and OWN

stories of courage



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## Beads of Courage<sup>®</sup> Sibling Program

recognizes and supports the emotional journey of a sibling when their brother or sister is coping with serious illness.

- Opportunity for self-reflection
- Promotes communication
- Provides encouragement: "You are not alone!"

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#### Beads of Courage<sup>®</sup> **Bead Mindful** FOR CLINICIANS

provides consistent opportunities to engage in mindful practice and self-care.

- Beads serve as objects of focus for each session's unique intentions, meditations, mantras, and poetry
- Reduces compassion fatigue and burnout
- Strengthens interpersonal mindfulness that leads to enhanced moments of caring for others



Yellow Focal Bead A little bit of sunshine can change everyone's attitude, bring hope and give balance.

Be kind. Random acts of kindness can make a difference in someone's day. Leave a fellow employee a kind note letting them know that you appreciate them.

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Bell Bead: Bringing Music and Joy into Our Lives – Remembering Your Strengths

program for dinicians to develop a consistent practice

of mindfulness while providing a new way to care for themselves and others.

"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light not our darkness that frightens us. We ask ourselves who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?"

Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world. There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.

It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.

As we are liberated from our own fear, presence automatically liberates others.\* ~ Marianne Williamson

> king outside myself for strength are all the time." ina Freud

> > flow from me like a river, no forcing back, the way it is with children Rainer Maria Rilke

o sad," replied Merlin, beginning to puff mething. That's the only thing that never and trembling in your anatomies, you ove, you may see the world about you ttics, or know your honour trampled by never fear or distrust, and never things there are to learn. Once and Future King

Beads of Courage<sup>®</sup> DREAM with Courage Tiger DRAW & RELAX: EMBRACE ART AND THE MIND provides a fun art experience for anyone needing an escape from stress and an opportunity to connect with others.

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- Activities paired with a unique bead teach fun facts and provide encouragement
- Provides an opportunity for self-expression, creativity and fun

## Beads of Courage® Bead Strong

encourages anyone to pause, breathe and learn about mindfulness as an important life skill.

- Integrates breathwork, creative and symbolic art, and mantras
- Adapts to unique needs of participants and facilitators across the health care continuum

Live each moment with happiness, love and laughter

is a reminder that you are strong

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Every bead tells a story of courage, honor and hope.

#### **Bead Stre**

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welcome creativity, focus and joy into our ma We invite you to be ourious as you evelope the use

These tools include mantras, art, breathw

moment and remain positive in times of stress.

deas and feelings on paper.

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BOAGS are the earliest art form known to humans and have been valuable objects for over tood years. The bead you receive is a symbolic reminder of the time you spend connecting with your feelings, thoughts and esperiences from this flead Strong active.

#### Joy Bead Live each moment with happiness, love and laughter

Imagine you are a rainbow and each color of the rainbow is something about yourself that you love

is something about yourself also your dile. Breathe in Take a deep breath. Close your eyes if you'd like. Breathe in through your nose. Count slowly "L.2.3." as you breathe out in our mouth.

While repeating this breathwork, imagine your kindow, there or used color one by one and the things about yourall that you lowe. Can you see them? Can you hear them? Use all your smears to think about your randow which is the thoms about yoursell that you love!

In the colors of the rainbow, draw or write about each thing

As American author and poet Aberjhani ce said, "Dare to love yourself as if you were a rainbow with gold at both ends."

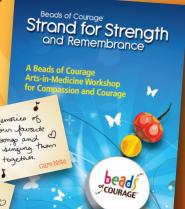
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### Beads of Courage' Strand for Strength AND REMEMBRANCE WORKSHOP

honors the legacy of a loved one who has died and the courage of those who grieve.

- Opportunity to create a tangible keepsake symbolizing love, remembrance and connection
- Participants find strength when they reflect on memories, emotions and hope for the future



PARTICIPANT'S GUID

### Beads of Courage<sup>\*</sup> We Are All Connected

Beads of Courage, Inc. is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to improving the quality of life of those impacted by serious illness. We believe in creating a context for caring transactions to transpire through unique arts-in medicine programs. Since 2005, Beads of Courage, Inc. has established over 300 collaborative partnerships in caring to make healing happen through the use of beads as a historical art form.

Please visit www.BeadsofCourage.org/ClinicalResources for more information on our programs and cost.

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