# **Childhood Cancer**

Cause of cancer is often unknown

Cancer is NOT contagious, so the child does not need to be isolated

Childhood cancer in Tanzania is often diagnosed in very late stages, which means the chance of cure is low

## Early Warning Signs for Childhood Cancer

Continued weight loss Headaches, with early morning vomiting Increased pain in body Lumps or unexplained masses Excessive bruising, bleeding or rashes Frequent Infections White color in the eye Persistent Nausea or Vomiting w/o Nausea Constant tiredness or noticeable pale skin Eye or vision changes which occur suddenly Persistent fevers of unknown origin

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

#### **Early Detection!**

RECOGNIZING EARLY SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF CANCER

#### Early Referral!

REFER PATIENT TO KCMC FOR FURTHER INVESTIGATION

#### Early Diagnosis and Treatment!

IF DIAGNOSED EARLY, CHILDHOOD CANCER CAN BE CURED!

Usikubali kupoteza maisha yako kutokana na saratani.

Shiriki katika mpango wa kuzuia saratani K.C.M.C

#### Please Call for any Referrals 0682404052



#### **PrevATrain** and **PrevACamp**

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## Leukemia

Cancer of the Blood

Signs of Leukemia: Fever and Unexplained Infections Fatigue Lighter skin color than normal Bleeding more than expected **Excessive Bruising** Pin point red rash Weight loss **Bone** Pain



Cancer of the Lymph System



Night Sweats Fatigue Fever Weight Loss



# **Common Childhood** Cancers **Signs and Symptoms**

#### Retinoblastoma Cancer of the Eye



Signs of Retinoblastoma: White Glow in a child's eye Crossed eye Poor Vision Red, painful eye Swelling or mass protruding from eye







## Wilm's Tumor

Cancer of the Kidney



Signs of Kidney Cancer: Lump or mass in Stomach **Abdominal Pain** Blood in Urine Fever Weight loss



Other Cancers

Signs may include: Swelling in other areas of the body Changes in speech or ability to walk Sudden loss of bladder or bowel control

