



*Sometimes an upside down world
requires a different perspective*

Belay is an old sailing term meaning to secure, to hold fast. In the world of climbing it refers simply to the use of a rope with a friction system to stop a climber's potential fall. Our program, **ON BELAY**, is intended to create a sense of community where each participant learns what it means to be "on belay" for themselves and those around them.

- ★ **ON BELAY** is for children ages 10 to 18 whose lives have been invaded by cancer through a parent's, grandparent's or guardian's diagnosis.
- ★ Participants are welcome (and encouraged!) to bring a friend with them to the program.
- ★ When cancer invades their lives, children's needs, and their means of coping, can be very different than adults. **ON BELAY** was developed exclusively with kids in mind. It is informative, interactive and has an element of adventure.
- ★ **ON BELAY** is based on Adventure Learning philosophies and practices and will be hosted at least four times a year at The Browne Center for Innovative Learning in Durham, NH.
- ★ **ON BELAY** is open to all qualified participants. (It is an independent program unaffiliated with any specific medical facility.)

ON BELAY is being developed and implemented by Project Adventure, Inc. and the Browne Center of Innovative Learning at UNH. Its fiscal administration is overseen by Danny's Team, a Durham-based not-for-profit. The program was conceived of by a mother, with her children, who recognized the need for support programs designed with the children in mind.

SUPPORTERS:



**Mills Hall
at UNH**

**Saturday, May 7, 2005
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
The Browne Center,
Durham, NH**

THE ADVENTURE APPROACH

Combining activity with reflection in a fun, supportive community is what Adventure Learning is about!

We believe that **optimism** and **hope** are powerful wellness agents. They can be especially powerful for children facing the upside down world of a parent or guardian with cancer. The **Adventure Approach** combines the best of age-appropriate challenges with a variety of other activities designed to help participants regain a sense of personal power, security and control.

There will be a variety of community-building activities as well as a **challenge course** where participants will have an opportunity to climb up to 40 feet in the trees and zip back down to the ground. The philosophy for the day is "**CHALLENGE BY CHOICE**," allowing participants to choose just how and to what extent they want to challenge themselves.

**For information and session dates
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