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Hello,

My name is Alex Tung and I am an AML survivor from City of Hope. I was diagnosed with AML in 2014, and needed to find a matching stem cell donor for a bone marrow transplant in order to survive. I searched for 7 months and was unable to find a matching donor. Luckily my doctor at City of Hope gave me an option to try a cord-blood transplant, which was only available as a clinical trial at the time. The trial was a success, and the transplant saved my life.

Over the years I have met many patients with similar diagnoses, and unfortunately many of them experienced a relapse shortly after their transplant. The current available treatments for these patients who have relapsed are not very effective, and often result in the patient having poor outcomes. Because the therapeutic options for relapsed or refractory AML patients remain limited, I believe the proposed therapy under (CLIN2-15087), is vital for the outcomes of future patients. Therefore, I support and advocate for this grant to be approved.

Thank you,

Alex Tung