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We are back from our first of many trips to Montreal to the Shriner's Hospital for Children. Thank goodness Carter likes to fly!

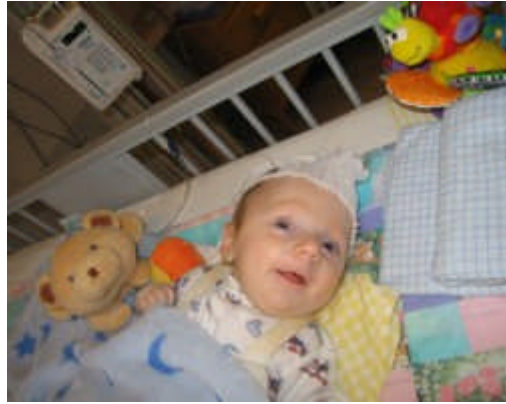


Carter was seen by many wonderful people that have given us a lot of hope. He has his own team of people to care for him. His orthopaedic surgeon is the chief of staff and invented the metal growing rods to insert into bones and the doctor taking care of his treatment pioneered the use of the drug for O.I. Carter also has his own occupational therapist, physiotherapist, dietician, social worker and casting man. These people will remain the same for all of our trips. They have diagnosed him with O.I.(osteogenesis imperfecta). which just means his bones are not very strong.



We thought we were going out for a check-up and a bone scan. After all of the negative reactions and comments from the doctors here, we never thought anything could be done for Carter this soon. Five minutes with the people in Montreal gave us all the hope in the world and he started Aredia treatment the next day to build up his bone density. We will be going back for treatment every 2 months for this year. After the first year, it will probably only be 3

or 4 times a year. O.I. never goes away, but it will get better. The nurses are all looking forward to seeing their new 'O.I. baby' grow up. They all know how to handle him and someone finally showed us how to pick up our little boy without hurting him!



All of the kids and families we met in Montreal have been a great support and seeing their results is amazing. We are so thankful every day for the Shriner's and all they have done for us. Without them and their hospital, life would be a lot scarier right now. Thank you for all of your thoughts and prayers. Carter is getting stronger every day!



Love,

Mike, Jenn, and Carter