



# Thalassemia & Sickle Cell Society

"We are hoping against all Odds"



Dakshini

Dakshini is a 7 year old child, who is born from a parent married among relation, (denoting people descended from the same ancestor), they hail from Jangaon. When Dakshini was born she did not cry nor did she open her eyes, hence had to be in hospital for many months, during the 6th month she was diagnosed thalassemia major in Red Cross.

Mother said "I never heard of that thing, and the father said "I know she doesn't have it because I don't." so the diagnosis was a surprise to everyone. But genetic tests showed each of her parents were a carrier for the thalassemia trait and Dakshini had inherited two defective genes, one from each of them.

She received her first blood transfusions at 24 weeks of age, and then continued to receive transfusions every three weeks, she would need these regular transfusions for the rest of her life in order to survive. She was referred to TSCS.

"The blood transfusions are traumatizing to say the least," says her mother. "She'd scream the whole time, and as she got older, it was more stressful. As she became more mobile, I worried that she would pull out the IV, and once she knew that she was going to get her treatment, the screams would start. She would scream, 'I do not want this!' and it was traumatizing for us to watch her go through it."

Parents concerns for her daughter's happiness, career and finances prompted them to look for a potential permanent solution. Parents went for another child under doctor's advice & prenatal Diagnosis, which assisted them to deliver a safe and healthy child free from thalassemia. This also got them a fully matched HLA from the sibling.

Parents consulted with the medical experts in TSCS. They wanted to stop the difficult blood transfusions, but the fact that the bone marrow transplantation is the only open door which comes with a high price at this time. Though the future looks bright and there are many other studies & research in progress that may bring down the cost implication for BMT down in future.

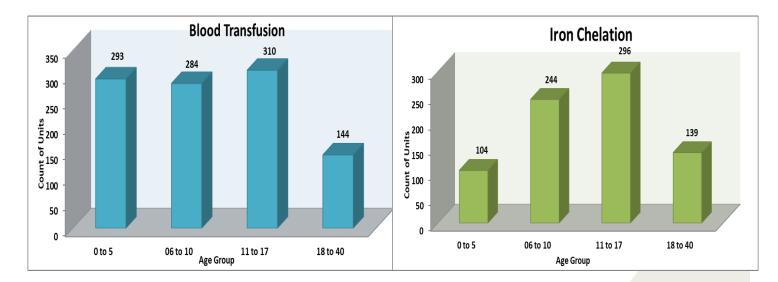
TSCS believes that the secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new."





I CAN DO
ALL THINGS
THROUGH HIM WHO
STRENGTHENS ME.

## **Transfusion Details**



Total number of patients for the month of April 2021 including all patients group were 1220 (which includes 189 Khammam patients) some patients were given 2 units of blood, the total units provided where 1476.

HPLC at Society Couples/Siblings	CVS Referred to CDFD	New Registrations	Splenectomy
74	6	11	Nil

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## WHAT TO DO IF SOMEONE IS SICK IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD

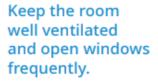


Life has to continue even where COVID-19 is spreading.

Here's how to stay safe.

### 1 ISOLATE THE SICK PERSON

Prepare a separate room or isolated space, and keep distance from others.







#### 3 TAKE CARE OF THE SICK PERSON

Monitor the sick person's symptoms regularly.

Pay special attention if the person is at high risk for serious illness.

Ensure the sick person rests and stays hydrated.



#### 2 REDUCE CONTACT WITH THE VIRUS

Identify one household member to be the contact person who is not at high risk and has the fewest contacts with people outside.

Wear a medical mask if in the same room as the sick person.



Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces.







Call your healthcare provider immediately if you see any of these danger signs:

- Difficulty breathing
- Confusion
- Loss of speech or mobility
   Chest pain



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UNITS PROVIDED TO THALASSEMIA + GENERAL FREE ISSUES	1420		
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