Stryder needs Your Help!

Stryder is an adorable nine-year-old boy. He has an outstanding resilience and amazing attitude that has pulled him through his heroic battle with epilepsy and an unknown connective tissue disorder that has wreaked havoc on his poor little body. Stryder also has many other medical problems, but they are all symptoms to these two major problems.

Stryder had extensive brain surgery in 2014 when he was 6 and along with that, he had a fusion on his neck from his skull down to his C3 vertebra. He had a great couple of years where his personality came out because he was in less pain than he ever had been. Now, three years later, he is in pain and often blanks out, has tremors, over heats and more. After a new MRI was done, it showed Stryder's neck is dislocating in both the front and the back, which is extremely rare. He has bone hitting his spinal cord at times when he bends his neck forward and has a lot of symptoms when bending his neck back as well. It was also determined that he has a tethered cord, which causes incontinence, pain in his lower back making it almost impossible to bend down and more.

Stryder needs more surgery to hold his neck in place and cut the tethered cord. The only Dr able to successfully do these surgeries and help with some of his symptoms is in New York and they do not accept insurance. (He is on state disability and not able to travel out of the area for care and out of pocket expenses). We are hopeful that surgery will help Stryder to not have to depend on getting the daily lv's he now gets as well relieve numerous other symptoms he is experiencing.

We have to raise close to \$200,000 before they will do the surgeries. The Dr will do his neck fusion first and two months later the tethered cord surgery. In order to reach this lofty goal, we are reaching out for your help. Please pass this letter on, along with the other things in the packet. I have included a penny jar template, and other ideas to help and of course any other ideas you may have.

I realize this is a lot of money, but I also know it has to happen. Stryder is living a life that no little boy should have to live. I also know that every little bit helps and if we find the right people, we can make this happen.

Thank you so much for taking the time to help our little boy!

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