

# Easing Steven's Journey

## Steven is fighting hard!



In 2015, Steven was diagnosed with an aggressive form of bone cancer in his left leg. Steven's family is from the Philippines, so his mom made the difficult decision to bring him and his sister to New Jersey for better treatment. More devastating than the re-location, Steven eventually had to lose part of his leg to save his life. Steven faced many rounds of rigorous chemotherapy and has been confined to a wheelchair for the past 18 months.

Steven had a rich and supportive social life during treatment due to Embrace Kids. He was paired with Rutgers student groups and teams to keep him engaged and active. His family attends Embrace Kids parties and outings.

Steven continues to maintain a great attitude with support from family and Embrace Kids. He is still fighting hard and has his chin up after being fitted with a prosthetic leg. As he learns to walk again, we are all by his side.

Steven's mom is eternally grateful for all the support their family receives... "I commend Embrace Kids family liaison staff and all of the volunteers they provide. It is heartwarming to see all these people who care and help ease the pain of our journey with the big C. This Journey is tough to anyone but with the support group from Embrace Kids, their volunteers, and big-brother RU4Kids Fraternity, Tau Kappa Epsilon, our family was able to handle the hurdle and breeze through the finish line much easier. Thank you Embrace Kids!"



Rutgers students showing support for Steven.