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**Children's Hospital of Wisconsin patient Kailee Wells
reaches 100-day milestone post bone marrow transplant
INTERVIEW AVAILABILITY FOR MEDIA**

WHEN: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15.

Please call Children's Hospital Public Relations in advance to RSVP.

WHERE: Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, 9000 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee
(Media should arrive at the Children's Clinics Building lobby for Public Relations escort).

WHO: Interviews available with **David Margolis, MD, program director, Blood and Marrow Transplant Program at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, and associate professor at the Medical College of Wisconsin.** Also with **Owen Wells, Kailee's father.** Kailee will not be present for this event.

WHY: Kailee Wells, 9, was diagnosed with aplastic anemia when she was 5 years old. Because she was adopted from China, finding a bone marrow donor was an international effort of Children's Hospital's Blood and Marrow Transplant team, the Wells family, the BloodCenter of Wisconsin and many others. A donor was identified in China last fall. Kailee received a genetic donor match transplant in November, 2005, her second bone marrow transplant. The Wells family wishes to provide a message of thanks, and continues to be active in raising awareness about bone marrow registry and donation in hope of helping others like Kailee.

WHAT: Day +100 is a standard transplant milestone, as many of the negative side effects occur within the first 100 days. Margolis will provide a medical update on Kailee's condition.

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