

## DBP Book Review

<b>Name of Book:</b> Chemo Girl	<b>Author:</b> Christina Richmond
<b>Publisher:</b> Jones & Bartlett Publishers	<b>Date of Publication:</b> 1996
<b>Name of Reviewer:</b> Bilal Omer	<b>Date of Review:</b> March 21, 2007
<b>Intended Audience</b> (choose from Parents, Children, Professional, Other): Children	
<b>Purpose of the book:</b> The book, written by a young cancer survivor, describes cancer treatment from the perspective of chemotherapy in the form of Chemo Girl. The superhero Chemo Girl is called upon to rid a young patient with Rhabdomyosarcoma.	
<b>Theoretical Basis:</b> Undergoing cancer treatment can be a very difficult time for a child. Compounding the physical pain is the confusion around not knowing exactly what is going on. Patients will hear big words tossed around like Chemotherapy and Broviac and not understand what they mean. Cancer Girl does not shy away from using technical terms to explain very simply what is going on.	
<b>Strengths:</b> Simple, straightforward without glossing over the reality that sometimes cancer does fight back (of course, it is no match for Chemo Girl). Told from a unique and creative perspective. The illustrations, drawn by the author are very colorful and a lot of fun.	
<b>Weaknesses:</b> None	
<b>Recommendation of Reviewer</b> (please choose one and put "X" in box next to selection):	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Highly recommend for all parents
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Highly recommend for parents with specific problems/issues: Most appropriate for younger children, but even some adolescents might enjoy it. Especially recommended for children early on in their treatment course.
<input type="checkbox"/>	May be useful to some parents
<input type="checkbox"/>	Would not recommend
<b>Additional Comments:</b>	