



It is difficult to believe that this is the eighth year of the incredible work that folks do at Reelin' for Research. It seems as if it was only yesterday that I sat down with them in our clinic and they told me of their ideas to help benefit the children we care for with cancer at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Providing the funds to train physicians learning to care for children with cancer and to conduct research is an incredible mission and an amazing honor. These physicians are the individuals that will bring hope and cures to these children and their families in the future. Without the support of Reelin' for Research I do not think that we would have an active fellowship program in place now.

It is very hard to describe how much the funds that Reelin' for Research has raised have helped. Since their inception we have sent 15 well trained physicians back out into their communities to care for children with blood and cancer disorders. Starting with a modest goal and a lot of hard work and a ton of heart, the folks at Reelin' for Research have far exceeded all goals and expectations. They are my heroes.

*Stuart H. Gold, MD
Chief, Division of Hematology & Oncology*



On behalf of the patients and families treated at UNC Children's, thank you for your steadfast support! Raising nearly 1.5 million dollars in just seven years is an outstanding accomplishment. Philanthropy varies among each individual and is unique to each donor. Whether it is a gift of \$5 or \$500,000, every gift makes a difference in the lives of our patients.

The Reelin' for Research story is personal and very inspiring. It is amazing to see just how many people have come together, across the entire state of North Carolina, to raise awareness and funds for pediatric cancer research and treatment. The funds you have donated to UNC Children's have a direct impact on the care of our patients as well as on our faculty and the research they conduct.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for all that you have done and all that you continue to do for UNC Children's. I know that I speak for everyone when I say that we are all looking forward to celebrating your successes this year and for many years to come.

*Leslie H. Nelson
Executive Director*

