

In every body there are cells. The cells carry all your DNA which carries all your genetic information. When your born everybody talks about how perfect you'll be and how far you'll go, nobody talks about the fact that the father has a history of neuroblastoma and that it's a possibility that it got passed down to my host. My host has been healthy until I came along I ruined everything. Familial Neuroblastoma, I started this.

It all started when the cells started to reproduce normally, like they usually do. Small things started change. Some cells like myself were brought in with no specific purpose. The other cells like me moved along to the brain and started to form a mass in the nerve tissue of the adrenal gland above the kidney. The hosts parents began to worry when the host started to experience new feelings that aren't normal. Lumps of tissue under the skin, Eyeballs that seem to protrude from the sockets (proptosis), Dark circles, similar to bruises, around the eyes, back pain, fever unexplained weight loss and bone pain.

The host endured lots of tests, they wanted to find me or to confirm, they wanted their child safe. Then they found me, many tears were shed. My poor host was diagnosed with stage 4 familial neuroblastoma. I didn't want to be the cause of all this grief but, then they tried to get rid of me! I didn't want to go I was comfortable! All of my friends are here I have a good home here!

My host started to go through chemotherapy. It started to slow all the cell production which stopped some of the cancer growth. My family started to die and the tumour started to shrink. I can't let this happen! We need to fight, we need to survive.

Host's time of death 8:15 pm. I won, but now I have nowhere to go.

## **Part 2**

1. How does neuroblastoma form, Is neuroblastoma genetic , Where does neuroblastoma occur, Symptoms of neuroblastoma, How to diagnose neuroblastoma , Neuroblastoma treatment, Neuroblastoma stage, How does Chemotherapy work
2. To research this project and get information I used Google and the school library online. I found those two were the easiest to use and the most effective.
3. The process I used to investigate my topic was to use the information I already knew prior to the project and add to it. I started with some basic questions and went from there.
4. Well I compared the information I found on one website to multiple other websites, to see if the information was true. I cited my sources through citation machine.
5. The process went smoothly, I found this was a very simple and educating project. I liked how we got to right a story so we could truly try and understand how it affects

someone. However if I were to do this project I would probably try even harder to truly get the perspective of the patient.

<http://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/neuroblastoma/symptoms-causes/dxc-20164445>

<https://www.cancer.org/cancer/neuroblastoma/detection-diagnosis-staging/survival-rates.html>

<http://www.cancer.ca/en/cancer-information/diagnosis-and-treatment/chemotherapy-and-other-drug-therapies/chemotherapy/how-chemotherapy-works/?region=on>