

CHALLENGE CHANGE LIVE B



DATES:
June 6-9, 2019
Applications Due
by April 26, 2019

AGES:
14-17

APPLY AT:
ApplyGenerationIXProject.com

THE EXPERIENCE: TEENS

The Generation IX Project was designed for you. You're looking for the next adventure, the next challenge. You're craving an experience beyond the classroom and the routine. There are others like you, teens and young adults that will band together to learn how to do more, learn more, experience more, and be more than they thought possible. This is your chance to do something profoundly different from the everyday. Your endeavor starts with a flight to Portland Oregon, where a team of program mentors will meet you. They will be your guides through a week of high ropes challenge course experiences, hiking, star-gazing, campfires, and good old-fashioned play, all while living within a temperate rainforest, and making connections with other participants living with hemophilia B.

The Generation IX Experience launched in 2014 as the first national mentorship program for young people living with hemophilia B. Young adult mentors will participate in a cutting edge leadership training before guiding teens through a powerful week full of challenges and fun in a stately camp facility outside of Portland, Oregon. Since teens are the fastest changing age group in the bleeding disorder community, part of this program will entail learning skills and developing support from others in leading the highest quality of life possible. Teens will learn about themselves, their potential, and how to work in a group from both their mentors, and a professional Instructor Team with years of experience in the outdoor education and bleeding disorder fields.

THE LEADERSHIP

Pat "Big Dog" Torrey is designing and implementing this program through a partnership with the Coalition for Hemophilia B thanks to the generous support of Aptevo Therapeutics.

Patrick Torrey has been designing and delivering innovative experiential education programs and trainings for over 15 years. Pat started and runs GutMonkey, Inc. GutMonkey offers unconventional, adaptable, relationship-centered

adventure education programs that teach those with chronic medical conditions how to lead rock-star lives. He challenges and inspires people to explore outside of their perceived limits and strive for excellence. He and his staff run trainings and consult within the bleeding disorder community for camps, foundations, and boards. GutMonkey has been running some of the most successful, fun, and sought after programs in the bleeding disorder community for close to a decade.

The Coalition for Hemophilia B Team — Wayne Cook, Kim Phelan and Dr. David Clark each bring over 20 years experience in hemophilia B. We have been empowering people with hemophilia B and their families to ensure they have the best quality of life possible. We offer a family-oriented hands on approach. We provide timely information so members and their families are well informed. We believe education is power and provide several outreach programs such as our factor nine newsletter, factor nine family meetings, retreats and yearly symposiums. The Coalition brings together some of the most dedicated professionals in the hemophilia community and we continually challenge ourselves to grow to meet the needs of the community. The Coalition for Hemophilia B was founded by John and Joyce Taylor after their son was diagnosed with severe hemophilia B. They recognized a need for an organization to serve this community.

THE DESTINATION

The Generation IX Experience will take place at YMCA Camp Collins just outside of Portland, Oregon. Collins is home to one of the nations most diverse high ropes challenge courses. Mentors and Teens will spend the week in Treetops Village, a network of cabins perched on stilts in the forest canopy, connected by a walkway overlooking the forest. But these are not your average rustic cabins. Each dwelling comes equipped with heated floors, bathrooms, and individual bunk shelves, windows, outlets, and lights. The cabins are not far from the dining hall where the group will eat three meals a day with a daily salad bar. The camp sits beside the Sandy River (known for occasional salmon and otter spotting), and every destination is just a forest trail walk away.



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SCHEDULE

- Thursday:** Teens Fly to the Portland Oregon Airport
Mentors Arrive Early to the Portland Airport
Mentors Greet Teens and Run Programs at the Airport While Others Arrive
Teens, Mentors, and Staff Return to Camp Collins Together
Teen Retreat Component Begins in the Late Afternoon
- Friday:** Teen Retreat Continues with this Full Blown Programming Day
Adventure Based Activities at the Forefront of the Program
- Saturday:** Teens and Mentors continue learning from each other and practicing new skills
- Sunday:** Teen Retreat Concludes in the Morning
Mentors and Teens Travel Back to the Portland Airport
Mentors Return Teens to Flights
Mentors Run Programming for Later Departing Teens at the Airport

FAQ's

- **Trip Cost Per Person:**
Thanks to the generosity of Aptevo Therapeutics, the Generation IX Project is provided at no cost to participants.
- **Participants:**
Mentors: 18-30 years old
Teens: 14-17 years old
(Participants must have Hemophilia B)
Past participants are welcome to attend again, but may be wait-listed.
- **Weather:**
The Generation IX Project is hosted in an awe inspiring temperate rain forest in Oregon. With rich green hues, and massive trees, cool and sometimes wet weather is to be expected. June is a fickle month in the Pacific Northwest and participants should come prepared for temperatures from the low 50s to high 70s at this time of year. Rain gear is always advisable in Oregon.
- **Cuisine:**
YMCA Camp Collins offers wholesome meals three times a day. Two meals come with a salad bar.
- **Program Acceptance:**
There are a limited number of spaces in this program. After your application has been reviewed you will be notified of your acceptance into the program by The Coalition for Hemophilia B or GutMonkey.
Apply online at **ApplyGenerationIXProject.com**
- **Who do I contact if I have any questions?**
Please contact The Coalition for Hemophilia B at contact@hemob.org or (212) 520-8272.

ABOUT APTEVO THERAPEUTICS

Aptevo is the manufacturer of a recombinant Factor IX product and are entirely dedicated to the Hemophilia B community. Aptevo is proud to be the sole sponsor of the Coalition for Hemophilia B's Generation IX Project.

Representatives from Aptevo may attend portions of the Generation IX program to welcome participants and assist with activities.

More information about Aptevo's programs for the Hemophilia B community can be found at AptevoCommunitySupport.com.

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