

Tasha knows the value of  
a helping hand. Or four.

Right here.

At the University of  
New Mexico Cancer Center.



Tasha Serna-Gallegos and Duke



Tasha Serna-Gallegos was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia (ALL) as a sophomore in high school. It's a common disease in children. But, the top dog of her support team was anything but common. He was trustworthy. Loyal. And answered to the name Duke. During her three years of intensive chemotherapy treatment at the UNM Cancer Center, it was Tasha's dog Duke that helped her get through the most difficult parts of treatment. And today, thanks to Duke and her new best friends at the UNM Cancer Center, Tasha's got a new leash on life. The University of New Mexico Cancer Center is home to more than 60 cancer doctors, more than 110 research scientists; and over 400 nurses, pharmacists, and other cancer experts. The UNM Cancer Center was awarded the prestigious National Cancer Institute Designation in recognition of its outstanding cancer treatment and research programs, and is the only center in our state ranked as **"One of America's Best Cancer Hospitals"** by *U.S. News & World Report*. **Building hope - right here.** Learn more at [cancer.unm.edu](http://cancer.unm.edu).

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