



Thomas Exler's story is motivating and inspiring others

Thomas Exler spends a majority of his time volunteering for both local and national organizations including Jamie's Dream Team, Association of the Bladder Exstrophy and the Pittsburgh Ostomy Society.

In 2011, Thomas began volunteering for Jamie's Dream Team, an organization that grants dreams to patients going through life threatening illnesses. Thomas volunteers over 20 hours per week for the organization and has served as a board member since 2012.

In addition, Thomas currently is the Vice President of the Bladder Exstrophy Community, which helps patients and families deal with the severe birth effect of bladder exstrophy. He also is the founder and chairman of Courage to Shine™, which inspires and motivates individuals who live with bladder exstrophy to lead normal lives.

Thomas also spends three to five hours a month serving as a board member for the Pittsburgh Ostomy Society.

To learn more about Jamie's Dream Team, please visit www.jamiesdreamteam.org or call 412-377-3898.



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