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Rx Laughter is the first nonprofit organization in the United States devoted to integrating therapeutic entertainment into the treatment and care of seriously ill children and adolescents. Rx Laughter’s comprehensive hospital network brings children’s hospitals, pediatrics, and the medical community an innovative, non-pharmacological technique to help them cope with the burden of their illnesses.

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