

## Help Vishal and many others like him

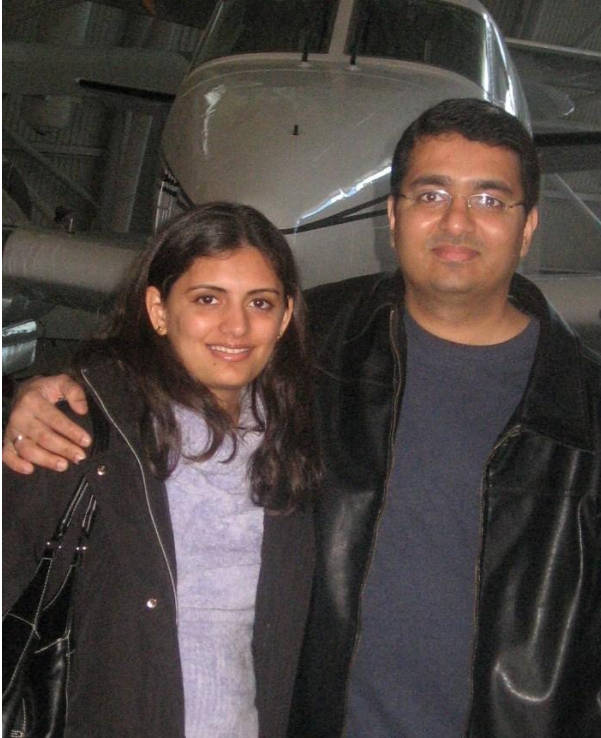
Vishal Mehta is a 30-year-old software consultant at Cap Gemini.

He was diagnosed with Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML) in Oct 2007

He went for a 3 cycle of chemotherapy and was in remission temporarily for a year.

However, unfortunately, the disease has relapsed and doctors have suggested a bone marrow transplant

However, finding a match is very difficult and rare. To add to this a match for ethnic Indians is very difficult, because the database is very thin. He lost his mother at young age of 7 and his father at age of 17. He doesn't have any siblings. Therefore, he has to depend on a donor outside his family.



***We are conducting this drive to find a suitable match not only for Vishal but also for any one who is fighting this deadly disease.***

The steps are very simple:

- **No fees required**
- On the spot registration
- Give a swab of cheek cells for testing.
- **Time required for this process is 15 mins or less.**

That's it! Your tissue type is then added to the registry.

**We are currently having a drive on April 26th 2009 from 12.30 pm to 3.30 pm at Bothell Hindu Temple & Cultural Centre 3818 212th St SE Bothell, WA 98021**

**This is on same day as HOLI celebrations so make it a point to attend the celebrations as well as the marrow drive.**

Even if you missed the drive mentioned above, email us so we can give you details where you can take the test in Bellevue or Bothell. Read about updated blog for Vishal at <http://helpvishal.blogspot.com>