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## **ALTERNATIVE THERAPIES CAN CUT SIDE-EFFECTS OF CHEMOTHERAPY: Dr. Francisco Contreras Comments on Case of Minnesota Teen**

**WHAT:** **Daniel Hauser**, a 13-year-old cancer patient who spent nearly a week on the run with his mother to avoid court-ordered chemotherapy, has returned to his home state of Minnesota, where he will face another court hearing.

An attorney representing the Hausers said she expects them to do what the court orders, but that Mrs. Hauser will continue to seek permission to use alternative treatments for her son's cancer "that aren't toxic."

One of the key areas in the international search for the Hausers was Mexico, where alternative therapy clinics are common.

**WHO:** **Dr. Francisco Contreras**, director, president and chairman of the Oasis of Hope Hospital in Playas de Tijuana, Mexico. He is considered one of the world's foremost experts on integrative cancer therapies, combining the best of conventional and alternative approaches.

He has appeared on CNN, Fox News and MSNBC to discuss the Daniel Hauser case. Dr. Contreras is the co-author of "Hope, Medicine & Healing."

**WHEN:** By appointment via telephone

**DETAILS:** Oasis of Hope Hospital, founded by the late Dr. Ernesto Contreras Sr. in 1963, has treated more than 100,000 patients – 60 percent with cancer – from 55 countries. The five-year survival rate is 40 percent, higher than in the United States, even though many of the patients come to the hospital as a last resort.

**NOTE:** For more information or to schedule an interview with Dr. Francisco Contreras, contact Steve Yount of A. Larry Ross Communications at 972.267.1111 or [steve@alarryross.com](mailto:steve@alarryross.com).

