

# INTO *the* HEARTLAND CAMPAIGN

## TOMSK PEDIATRIC SURGICAL MISSION I APRIL 2006



### PATIENT PROFILE

Child	Vika P.
Age	10 months old
DOB	June 18, 2005
Birth weight	Not available
Current weight	16 lbs 8 oz (7.5 kg)
Home	Tomsk
Mother	Anastasia, 20 years old
Father	Evgenii, 24 years old
Diagnosis	Tetralogy of Fallot
Open-heart surgery	May 9, 2006
Discharged	May 19, 2006

### THE HOUSEHOLD AND THE FAMILY

The family lives in a 2-room apartment they rent for just over \$200 per month (5,500 rubles). Evgenii, who came to Tomsk from Ulan Ude to find work, is now the director of the water supply. He earns about \$480 per month (13,000 rubles). Anastasia attended juridical technical school, but never worked because she married and had Vika.

Anastasia has two brothers and a sister, and her parents live close by. Evgenii's parents moved to Tomsk from Ulan Ude to be close to their son and his family. Anastasia and family often go to her in-laws, who have a private house and a garden. As soon as Vika is recovered, Anastasia wants to find work.

### CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT AND CONDITION

The family learned very early that Vika has a Tetralogy of Fallot. Although she is very small, she has developed normally, and she sleeps and eats well. She is acyanotic and does not need any medications relating to her heart defect. She walked at 9 months and had her first tooth at 4 months. After doctors raised a concern that Vika might be retarded because of the Tetralogy, she had many tests including genetic testing. The family has been assured that Vika is normal.

Indeed, after the surgery, Vika was the belle of the ball, amusing the entire ICU staff with her lively responsiveness.

*Based on an interview conducted in Russian by Heart to Heart volunteer Rose Glickman, PhD in Tomsk.*