

Team Challenge

CROHN'S & COLITIS

Vegas 2011 Honored Teammate – Team Denver

MICHAEL HINTON



A typical American kid involved in many sports and activities who is trying to not let Crohn's take over his life. That's Michael, a thirteen-year-old boy who plays football, basketball, tennis, and swims. He was in second grade when he was diagnosed with Crohn's. Ever since then he has had the common struggles of living with Crohn's everyday like missing school for doctor appointments and daylong infusions. Michael is surrounded by his wonderful and supportive family. His Mom, Dad and 15-year-old sister Mary are such "A big important part of my life" Michael said when asked about his family.

My Crohn's is under control but, I still have to deal with the everyday pain and awkwardness of constantly having to excuse myself to use the restroom. When I tell my friends I have Crohn's they are always surprised to hear about it because I live such a normal life. I am not here for me I am here for the less fortunate kid with Crohn's or Colitis that cannot play sports and hang out with their friends like I can. For that reason I am happy to be a part of Team Challenge and to be raising money and awareness for Crohn's and Colitis.