

Brave little Lindsay keeps her hopes up for new liver

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The strain is beginning to show in the faces and voices of Jim and Christine Eberhardt, whose ailing daughter desperately needs a liver transplant.

"We're still holding on," said Jim yesterday. "But we're getting very tired. Poor Lindsay knows she hurts. And it's hard for her to see her brother and sister walking and laughing when she can't."

Lindsay, 29 months, suffers from biliary atresia, and has been on waiting lists for a

liver transplant at four hospitals for more than a year.

Boston Children's Hospital is currently performing ultrasound tests on the Mississauga girl's liver to determine whether her portal vein is getting smaller and restricting the flow of blood.

"If things look worse, we'll go down (to the U.S.) again," adds Jim. "But it's been a long wait . . ."