

Seamstress quality control guidelines for Zip With Us®

- All sewing must be done in a sterile, non-smoking and pet-free environment. If you sew from home and have pets, they must be able to stay in a separate room from the ZWU shirts and onesies. Our commitment to safety for our patients remains paramount and while we love our furry friends, please remember many ZipShirt™ and Drew's Cruiser™ recipients are also neutropenic (literally zero immunity) and are in isolation from transplants among other things. Thank you for respecting these children and their families.
- Zippers start at collar and get sewn diagonally to underneath the armpit seam. Try to keep the bottom of the zipper 1"-1.5" from side seam as seen in "How To Sew A ZipShirt™" guidelines on our website. This design allows for optimal opening for the staff to clean and access port without the child needing to remove the garment. In specified circumstances, zipper(s) are placed in other areas to meet the child's specific medical access locations, which will be explained and detailed by the head of production. If there is ever any confusion on placement, you can always email info@zipwithus.org or call/text Angela at 7862580510.
- All zippers must zip easily from top to bottom and not get stuck. If they get stuck when our team does quality control, they will be returned for you to fix.
- There may be no holes anywhere around the zipper, especially the bottom. Sometimes cutting perfectly can be tricky, however, there cannot be holes at the bottom. Some children use their ZipShirt™ multiple times a week for years and it needs to be able to hold up over time.
- Please do your best to line up all words and designs on the shirts. While they may not always turn out perfectly, we ask that you try to make them look as nice as possible.
- Matching the color of thread to the shirt is helpful as it looks great, and it also helps to hide any imperfections. Let us know if we can help with supplying an assortment of thread colors to get you started on your Zip With Us® sewing journey.
- Remove any hanging string.
- Please leave all tags on the shirts. If you must remove stickers to sew, that is fine, you can place them back onto shirt in another area if you'd like or throw them away, especially if there is an additional tag also on the shirt.
- Lastly, remember that you are amazing for sewing for these beautiful children! Thank you for your hard work and dedication to adding a little comfort to their treatments. We are so grateful that you are sharing with us your wonderful gifts!

I have read and understand these guidelines and agree to the terms and conditions above

Signature

Date