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Nancy Goodman, J.D. is the champion of the Creating Hope Act Pediatric Priority Review Voucher Program, first passed into U.S. law in 2012. The pediatric voucher program establishes a market-based incentive, a voucher, for companies to develop drugs expressly for children with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. Vouchers trade at around $100 million.

Nancy is the champion of the RACE for Children Act, passed into law in 2017, which authorizes the FDA to direct companies developing adult cancer therapies to undertake pediatric studies of those therapies when their molecular targets are substantially relevant to pediatric cancers. Nancy is a cofounder of CARGO Therapeutics, a publicly traded CAR-T company.

Nancy is currently championing the Give Kids a Chance Act, which extends the RACE for Children Act and authorizes the FDA to direct companies to undertake pediatric studies of combinations of new cancer drugs that have been developed for adult cancers. Nancy is also currently championing the third reauthorization of the Creating Hope Act pediatric voucher program, set to expire September 2024.

Nancy graduated from the University of Chicago Law School and the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. She retooled as an FDA lawyer and founded Kids v Cancer after her son, Jacob, died of medulloblastoma. She has received various awards and honors for her work.