At Camp, anything is possible.

Every aspect of the adaptive programming — from a wheelchair-friendly high ropes course to exceptional on-site medical care — is designed to allow all campers to fully participate in activities. All programs are completely free of charge, as no camper or their family will ever pay to attend The Painted Turtle.

Since opening in 2004, The Painted Turtle has has provided more than 59,000 camp experiences to children with serious medical conditions and family members through year-round camp programming. As a member of the SeriousFun Children’s Network founded by Paul Newman, The Painted Turtle is part of a network of the finest multi-disease medical camps and programs — serving hundreds of thousands of children and families around the globe.

Each year, more than 6,000 children and their families enjoy single-day to week-long programs where they get a healthy dose of good old-fashioned camp fun. The magic takes place in Lake Hughes, located just north of Los Angeles, and extends throughout California with a variety of outreach programs.

Serving 90+ medical conditions, including:
- hemophilia/Von Willebrand disease/with inhibitors
- cerebral palsy
- cystic fibrosis
- Crohn’s Disease & ulcerative colitis
- kidney & liver disease
- solid organ transplants
- muscular dystrophy
- spina bifida
- skeletal dysplasia (dwarfism)

Year-round programming includes:
- Summer Sessions
- Family Weekends
- Outpost, in-hospital camp program
- Leadership development program
- Seasonal day events