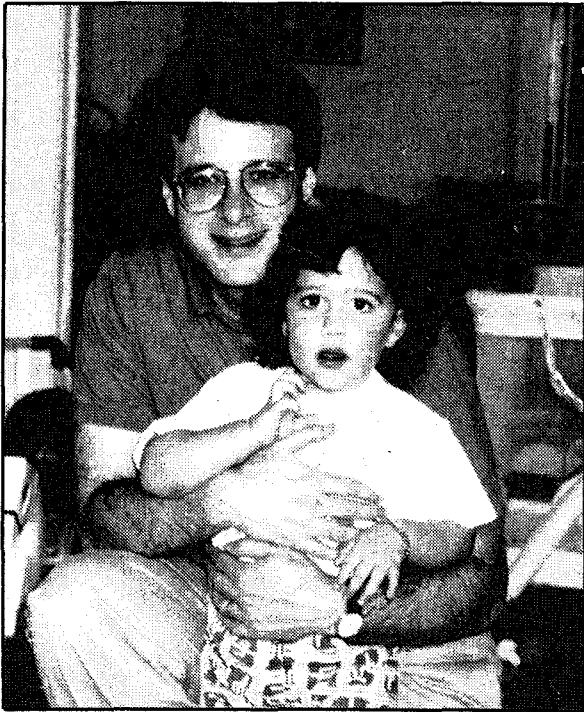


# IBM Employee Helps Secure Grant

Jeffrey Ullman is an IBM employee who has a personal interest in diabetes. Jeffrey and his wife Ellen have a young son with diabetes. Zachary is just two and one-half years old, and the Ullmans are well aware of the difficulties of living with this disease.

As an employee of IBM, Jeff knew about his company's Fund for Community Service. This program "recognizes and encourages IBM employee volunteer service in local



**Jeffrey and Zachary Ullman**

communities." Through the Fund, IBM makes financial or product grants for specific projects of eligible community organizations and schools in which the employee or their spouse has an active involvement.

Jeff recruited and coordinated volunteers for DRIF's booth at the Dade County Youth Fair, and serves as a one-man telephone committee for the family support group that meets monthly at South Miami Middle School.

With the help of DRIF Director of Annual Support Barbara Singer, Jeff identified a specific need...the dissemination of information about children with diabetes to school personnel. They established a budget for printing and distribution, and submitted a proposal to IBM. IBM responded with a grant of \$1,800.

This program may still be available to other IBM employees even though Jeffrey and DRIF have collaborated on this grant. Check with your Fund for Community Service Administrator.

Many other businesses seek ways to get involved in the community, and encourage their employees to do the same. Numerous companies have matching gift programs which provide funds that match employee contributions to non-profit or educational organizations. Find out how your company can get involved in supporting the vital work of the Diabetes Research Institute.