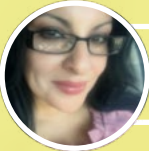




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A NOTE FROM JENNY

April is Autism Awareness Month. Let's talk statistics. According to Spectrum: "About 7 percent of children born preterm are autistic, compared with 1 to 2 percent of children in the general population."

Prematurity can cause problems for babies throughout their lives - long-term intellectual and developmental disabilities and problems with lungs, brain, eyes and other organs.

Crystal Ball Health is working to create a preemie registry that will power the research to provide better patient outcomes - in the NICU through the adult years with the hope to help former premature babies answer questions about their early births and inform their care long after they've left the NICU.

To date, there is no such registry in existence until now. Sign up to be a part of the research project and receive updates. Join the movement here: <https://crystalballhealth.com/join/>

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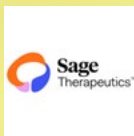
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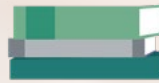
AFTER THE NICU

Babies born before 37 weeks of pregnancy may be more likely to show signs or symptoms of autism than other babies. Are you years out of the NICU and now have a child with an Autism diagnosis? You are not alone. Here are a few suggestions for helping you and your child thrive:

- Don't wait for a diagnosis. Seek help as soon as you suspect something's wrong. Don't wait to see if your child will catch up later or outgrow the problem. Early intervention is the most effective way to speed up your child's development and reduce the symptoms of autism over the lifespan.
- Become an expert on your child. Educate yourself and reach out to professionals with experience. Learning all you can about autism and getting involved in treatment will go a long way toward helping your child.

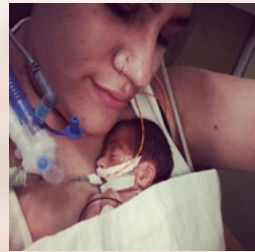


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PREEMIE STORY OF THE MONTH

DOMINIC MARTIN HERNANDEZ



I am not strong. I am simply a mother doing everything in her power to keep her child safe and healthy. Their love back is what keeps us going.

- Dominic's Mommy

"Dominic was one of the biggest surprises I never knew I needed. Our story is a little unconventional compared to others, but when I found out I was 12 weeks pregnant, I had to face a few challenging decisions," shares Premie Mom, Angela.

"Truth be told, I didn't want kids. I didn't want to be a mother, nor did I want to be a single mother given the way Dominic was conceived. By the time I made my decision to parent, I was already 22 weeks pregnant."



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GLO PREEMIES

NONPROFIT SUPPORT FOR FAMILIES IN THE UNITED STATES

GLO Premies™ seeks to raise the voice of black families in the NICU and post-NICU in terms of creating racial and health equity through policy advocacy, professional educational initiatives, family educational initiatives, family support for African American families for continuous 18 years and public outreach for assistance.

"No matter which way the wheel spins, GLO Premies will be here to support you every step of the way." - Ashley Randolph, President & Founder, GLO Premies



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PREEMIE SWAG



It's not just the cool design or perfect fit—our t-shirts help support our organization.

Each shirt is constructed with 100% fine jersey cotton.



QUESTION OF THE MONTH

How long did you have to wait before you could hold your preemie?

- @nicucheer: Born start of the week and couldn't hold until the next weekend.
- @juliann1881: My wife never got the opportunity. The staff had different opinions on being able to touch the baby. One staff rotation allowed me to change his diaper while another rotation tried not to touch him at all.
- @rebecaleos13: 51 days. My baby was born at 23 weeks.

NON-PROFIT NEWS

HOPE FOR HIE

April kicks off World HIE Awareness Month

ALLIANCE FOR BLACK NICU FAMILIES

Black NICU Moms and Dads, we need YOUR voice!



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WHAT'S NEW?

PREEMIE NEWS

Preemie Crystal Ball - Powering Preemie Research

- PCB needs YOUR feedback on your feelings around research. - <https://preemie.us/PCBSurvey>
- Check out this amazing freebie to download, print out and/or e-mail to colleagues, families, etc. - <https://crystalballhealth.com/freebies/>
- Share Your Preemie Story! - <https://crystalball-health.com/your-story/>



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PREEMIE GENIUS



Preemie Parents

26 Ways to Grow with Your Premature Baby

Author Tami C. Gaines openly shares her story to help inspire and support preemie parents.

A wealth of insight and resources in one book!



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PREMIERWORLD TAGS

ISABELLA & ALEXANDRA GONCALVES



Tag us on Instagram before the 15th of the month for a chance to be highlighted!

“Our daughters were born at 25 weeks via gestational carrier and spent 122 days in the NICU,” shares twin mom, Krista.

The twins are now almost 14.5 months old and sit up on their own, crawl everywhere and want to get into everything. They bring so much happiness to everyone and we're truly so proud and amazed at them for reaching all their milestones!



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PREEMIE FREEBIES

AUTISM AND PREEMIES STATISTICS CARD

Our April freebie is an Autism Statistics Card for Autism Awareness Month brought to you by Preemie Crystal Ball - Powering Preemie Research. *Ahora disponible en Español!*



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