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Congrats!

Dr. Dice has been named the 2012 recipient of the Richard A. Helms Award of Excellence in Pediatric Pharmacy Practice.

Organization:

Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters

Unit/Branch:

Pediatric Pharmacy Practice

Years Helping Preemies:

Preemie Focus:

Dr. Dice has a specific interest in RSV Prophylaxis and neonatal therapeutics.

Have a pro to recommend? Email us: connect@preemieworld.com

Preemie Advocate: Preemie Networks

You have always wanted to make a difference in this special community. Now you can and make a lasting impact alongside other passionate preemie parents and professionals. Simply contact the Prematurity Networks today to connect with your local group: http://bit.ly/preemiesRSV

To Do List



Subscribe to Preemie Professional and you could be one of 3 winners of a personal edition of the awardwinning "little man" DVD.



Check out Nicole Conn's "little man" website and trailer at:



Download FREE tools from www.PreemieWorld.com and pass them onto other NICU parents as a way to help them, too.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



9th National Advanced Practice Neonatal Nurses Conference New Orleans, La www.academyonline.org

May 9-12, 2012 Little Rock, AR www.napsw.org

Tools and Resources for the Preemie Community

Preemie Resource: The Top 10 Things Preemie Parents Need Now

PreemieWorld provides a number of free handouts to be used in the NICU and beyond in its "Freebies For You" section of the website. This month's freebie is the "Top 10 Things Preemie Parents Need Right now." This resource came out of a strong need to reach out to parents in that moment in the NICU where they need to know they are not alone and that

someone has their back. "Those first minutes, hours, and days are terrifying, " notes PreemieWorld Co-Founder Nicole Conn. "You just want someone to reach out and hold your hand and say 'I know how you feel' because unless you have been through it, you have no idea just how scary this experience is for parents." Download at http://bit.ly/wtzHBc

Preemie Support:



With her son Jack born at 24 weeks and her daughter Lauren born at 34 weeks, Kelli Kelley knows all too well the stress that comes with having a preemie.

"I longed for someone to hold my hand and light the way," she notes. And so, in 2009, Hand to Hold (www.HandtoHold.org) with its Helping Hands support network reaching out to families nationwide, was born.

Check out this and many more resources at: www.HandtoHold.org

Preemie Org: First Candle

First Candle is dedicated to safe pregnancies and the survival of babies through the first years of life.

Priority issues for the organization include eliminating stillbirth, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and other Sudden Unexpected Infant Deaths (SUID) with research, education and advocacy.

"Our families inspire us as they raise awareness and funds for research and services after the loss of their child as they search for answers," notes Hanan Kallash RN, MS, and Health Education Manager at First Candle.

First Candle resources include:

Safety Tips for Infant Sleep Products:

http://bit.ly/firstcandle1

Bedtime Basics for Babies: http://bit.ly/firstcandle2

Safe Sleep Snap Shirt Project: http://bit.ly/firstcandle3

FaceBook Page:

http://on.fb.me/firstcandle4

Twitter Page:

http://bit.ly/firstcandle5

My Space:

http://mysp.ac/firstcandle6

Website: www.firstcandle.org

"little man" is a Must-See by Parents & Professionals



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Conn's "little man" is available on DVD at www.PreemieWorld.com

"The NICU is like science fiction, " quips little man Director & Producer Nicole Conn, a well-known author and filmmaker. Her movie, now on DVD, provides a peek into the NICU from the parent's point of view in a documentary of her preemie son's 100-day NICU stay.

The award-winning documentary just finished up a multi-year run on Showtime and now has the personal edition released to public purchase and the professional edition set to connect with the educational market for professionals.

See more about *little man* at: http://bit.ly/littlemanmovie

Parents & Professionals: Subscribe to our FREE newsletters today @ www.PreemieWorld.com

Preemie Genius!

preemie JOY!

The Details:

Name: Come Home Soon . . . !

Coloring Books

Big Brothers & Big Users:

Sisters in the NICU

Rating: ★★★★

By: Platypus Media, LLC

(http://bit.ly/platmedia)



The Genius:

This publication is designed for young children who have a new sibling in the NICU and may be confused or scared about the whole ordeal.

The coloring book is a great tool for starting the conversation about why the baby isn't coming home. Come Home Soon Baby *Brother/Sister* is a playful and informative guide for the baby's older siblings, teaching them what they can do to be a great big brother or sister.

The Deal: Offered at a reasonable \$2.95 each, contact Platypus and mention this newsletter to get 50% off on your connect@preemieworld.com first purchase.

Let's hear it for Lily!!!

"Lily has struggled with sensory issues since infancy that is often intertwined with anxiety. Recently it was making dressing for school to take up to 45 minutes due to her need to take off and put on each article of clothing 2-3 times in methodical fashion. With the help of an OT for the sensory side and a behavioral therapist for the anxiety, Lily is getting dressed each morning with few issues." - Keira Sorrells, Mom of triplets Lily, Avery, and angel Zoe, born at 25 weeks 5 days, now five years old.

Have a proud moment? Off the vent, sitting up at last? Send it into us at

Preemie Professional Online

Check out some of our informative networks:

NICU Professionals Group: (www.LinkedIN.com)

"'LIKE' it & PASS IT ON: The National Premature Infant Health Coalition has a FaceBook page - http://ow.ly/9P6fG"

"ARTICLE: Tight Glycemic Control Not Benefitical for Premature Infants http://ow.ly/9P1Ln"

Early Intervention Professionals Group: (www.LinkedIN.com)

"The Power of Positive Self-talk for Kids with Autism"

"A Successful Transition to Adulthood for My Child with Autism"

"Autism Awareness Day at the State House in Boston, April 9th, 2012"

Preemie World (www.Twitter.com):

"ARTICLE: New Analysis Could Give Clues About When to Move Infants from NICU http://ow.ly/9U9fU"

"15 May is Kangaroo Care Awareness Day"

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Preemie THANK YOU!

Rosie and Marcus Moore personally want to thank the nurses at the Florida Hospital NICU, Orlando Florida for their attentiveness to their son, Kaleb Moore (former 27-weeker, now 2 years old). "The love that they showed in caring for Kaleb was outstanding but the respect that the following nurses and therapists gave us was impeccable. Thank you to the nurses Tina Mc Farland, Carrie Livingston, Kristen Conti, Lillie. And to Teresa the very first nurse that we met in the Level 3 NICU who took her time to explain everything to us. We were so glad that just before discharge she got to see Kaleb and take care of him briefly." Adds Rosie, "And the therapists: to Deidre who drew Kaleb's castle on his

board and wrote encouraging messages for us, and to **Shawn** who extubated Kaleb and stuck by me during kangaroo care. But most of all to our nurse practitioner **Janice** who through the 5 month stay never once tired of my questions. Our family loves this staff very much and thank God for placing these specialists in our lives."

Check out Rosie's book here: http://amzn.to/RosieMoore

Want to submit a professional for a thank you? Email a 50-70 word quote, the professional's "stats" and your name, your child's first name and details to <u>connect@preemieworld.com</u>