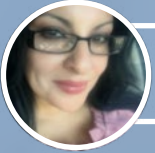




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## A NOTE FROM JENNY

Let's talk statistics. According to a study in Pediatrics, Autism was later diagnosed in the following percentage of babies who were born at these stages of pregnancy:

- 6% of babies born between 22 and 27 weeks
- 2.6% of babies born between 28 and 33 weeks
- 2% of babies born between 34 and 36 weeks

April is **Autism Awareness Month**. For so many of us preemie parents, leaving the NICU is just the beginning of a long road of diagnoses and complications. Here are some helpful resources:

- **Regional Center:** Early intervention is key. Find a center in your area: <https://www.dds.ca.gov/rc/lookup-rcs-by-county/>
- **AutismNOW:** Provides high quality resources and education. <https://autismnow.org/>
- **Preemie Crystal Ball:** Working to create a preemie registry that will power the research to provide better patient outcomes - <https://crystalballhealth.com/>

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## AFTER THE NICU

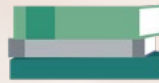
You may have a myriad of different feelings as you bring your baby home from the NICU and those feelings may change and overlap as you learn more about your baby and how to care for him/her away from a hospital setting. It's a journey for your whole family. Here are some expected and normal feelings:

**Excitement:** You have waited days, weeks, or even months to take your baby home. The excitement of being all together under one roof is a wonderful feeling, even if it is met with a mixture of worry. Try to stay in the moment and enjoy the victory of getting your preemie home.

**Scared:** Fear is a very common emotion for preemie parents as they leave the security of the NICU. When you feel overwhelmed by worry, make sure to reach out to your baby's care team.



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## PREEMIE STORY OF THE MONTH

### MICAH BAZAN



“Unstoppable miracle!”

- Faiza and Rolando Bazan

“Our son's story started with a visit to the Ob/Gyn when my wife was 28 weeks and 3 days pregnant,” shares preemie dad, **Rolando**.

“Her blood pressure had been acting up for a few days and her OB had her admitted to the hospital for what was suppose to be 24 hours to check her protein levels. This stay turned out a lot longer than anticipated.”

“On July 23rd, 2019 our son Micah Jared was born via emergency c-section at 29 weeks.”



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## REGIONAL CENTER OF OC

### OUTREACH: ORANGE COUNTY, CA



Regional Center of Orange County (RCOC) is a private, nonprofit organization contracted by the State of California to coordinate life-long services and supports for more than 23,000 Orange County children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families.

RCOC also administers California's Early Start program in Orange County; Early Start is California's early intervention program for infants and toddlers that have or are at-risk of having a developmental delay.



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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

What is your biggest pet peeve in the NICU?

@daarkhorseox: Definitely the loud chatter from the nurses in the back...

@magicpixie59: Being shouted at by staff too close to the incubator when getting my child out for skin-to-skin.

@katherinenorland: They tell you you can't speak to your baby or read to them because they need rest and the nursing staff is telling jokes and cackling loud in the background.

## NON-PROFIT NEWS

### EMPOWERING NICU PARENTS

Supporting Infant Mental Health Podcast | Available

### MADelyn'S FUND

Pink Bow Gala | October 21, 2022



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## WHAT'S NEW?

### EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW

*The Benefits of Early Intervention - After the NICU.*

A great read for all NICU parents and post-NICU parents - An exclusive interview with **Jenny McCormick** of **PreemieWorld** and **Larry Landauer**, Executive Director of **Regional Center of Orange County, CA.**

Learn more about early intervention and the benefits to both preemies and preemie parents. Link: <https://premie.us/EarlyInterventionRCOC>



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## PREEMIE GENIUS



### THE NozeBot

Creator: **Dr. Steven Goudy**

A portable and rechargeable nasal aspirator that offers hospital-grade suction, and superior hygiene and ease-of-use.



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## PREMIERWORLD TAGS

### ISABELLA & SOPHIA GONCALVES



“ Meet super cuties, **Isabella & Sophia Goncalves.**

Born at 25-weeks and spent 122 days in the NICU.

Today they are 26-months and have hit all their milestones! ”

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



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## PREEMIE FREEBIES

### ABA THERAPIST THANK YOU CARD

An ABA therapist is a person who uses applied behavior analysis as a form of treatment. This month for Autism Awareness, we give a BIG thank you to our ABA therapists, helping our preemies thrive! *Ahora disponible en Español!*



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