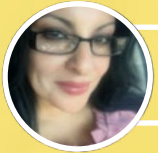




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A NOTE FROM JENNY

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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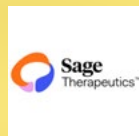
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- Common Household Chemicals Tied to Preemie Births - <https://preemie.us/ChemicalsandPretermBirth>
- Progesterone imbalance causes preterm birth, prolonged labour - <http://preemie.us/ProgesteroneImbalance>
- Why Black Women Are Rejecting Hospitals in Search of Better Births - <http://preemie.us/BlackMothersSearchforBetterBirth>



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KARIN MITCHELL, MA, CCC-SLP, CLE, CNT, NTMTC

PEDIATRIC SPEECH PATHOLOGIST, CHOC CHILDREN'S NICU



“A person's a person no matter how small.”

- Dr. Seuss

Meet Karin Mitchell, Pediatric Speech Pathologist at CHOC Children's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

“I have a passion to help others. In the NICU I get to help both babies and their families. I love to provide an individualized approach that looks at each baby and family to address their unique capabilities to help them reach their full potential. No day is the same, every baby is a small person with big challenges and is extremely special. I am so privileged to be able to care for them,” shares Karin.



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ALLIANCE FOR BLACK NICU FAMILIES

SERVICES IN THE UNITED STATES



Ashley Randolph and Deb Discenza both saw a strong need to change the conversation when it comes to how Black NICU Families are treated in the NICU, at home and in school.

The Alliance for Black NICU Families™ seeks to raise the voice of black families in the NICU and post-NICU through policy advocacy, professional educational initiatives, family educational initiatives, leadership mentoring of up and coming African American-led organizations and public outreach for assistance.



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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?

- @nicu cheer: 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.



PREMIERWORLD TAGS

ISABELLA & ALEXANDRA GONCALVES



“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!”

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



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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/PCB-Survey>
- 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://crystalballhealth.com/your-story/>



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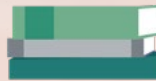
Preemie Parents

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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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 Preemie 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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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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