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A NOTE FROM JENNY

National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month occurs every October. This month recognizes the loss so many parents experience across the United States and around the world.

During the entire month, we take time to honor and remember those who have lost a child during pregnancy or lost a child in infancy. We encourage you to reach out to an angel parent and ask how they are doing. Ask about their baby, say their baby's name. Remember, the greatest way to acknowledge life is to say their name.

If you need extra support, here are some resources:

- Helpful tips on things to say and NOT to say.
 Article: https://preemieworld.com/aftertheni-cu-2020-Oct/
- A special certificate for your preemie angel in remembrance - https://preemieworld.com/port-folio-item/preemie-angel-certificate/
- Preemie Angel Remembrance Wall https://preemieworld.com/preemie-angels/



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AFTER THE NICU

October is ADHD Awareness Month. Statistics show that persons who were born premature and of very low weight were about 3 times more likely to receive an Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) diagnosis than those who had term, normal-weight births. What do you need to know when you have a recently diagnosed preemie? Here are some helpful tips.

- Talk about it: Don't shy away from talking with your child about ADHD. Help your child understand that having ADHD is not his/ her fault, and that they can learn ways to help them navigate home/school life. Remind your child that he/she is more than just a diagnosis.
- Be involved: Learn all you can about ADHD. Follow the treatment your child's health care provider recommends. Go to all recommended therapy visits.



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PREEMIE STORY OF THE MONTH

SAMSON & ASHER GLASS



When you do everything right and everything still goes wrong, this is where miracles happen.
 Sarah Glass

"On July 23, 2012, I was 17 weeks into our twin pregnancy when my water broke. We found out about a nightmare that many people don't even know exists: A baby can be born too early to survive," shares twin/angel mom, Sarah Glass.

"On July 29, 2012, at 18 weeks into my pregnancy, I delivered baby "A", Samson Carmel. Samson had a heartbeat. I felt him move and then he was gone...way too quickly to process any of what had just happened; that takes a lifetime."



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YIT FOUNDATION INC.

OUTREACH: NATIONAL



Sharon Toney-Finch, Founder of Yerik Israel Toney Foundation for Preemies Inc (Yit) shares, "As a disabled veteran, I was told that I would not be able to have children. Yerik was our miracle baby who was born at 23 weeks gestation during the time when I was stationed in South Korea where there is not one NICU on any of the military posts there... Yerik was born at Samsung Hospital and survived for 7 months after birth."

Yit helps with transportation, medical bills, and supplies throughout the growth of the child as well as scholarship programs.



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QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Did your preemie experience a brain bleed in the NICU?

- @bethsonneborn: Yes. My (now) 11-year old is a hydrocephalus/CP warrior.
- @yussraatta1: My daughter died of a grade 4 brain bleed at 24 weeks.
- @atmomalways: Double. Grades 3 and 4.



M.E.N.D

October Remembrance Events | October 2021

GRAHAMS FOUNDATION

Virtual 'Tinis for Preemies | 11/11/21



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WHAT'S NEW?

PREEMIEWORLD ADVOCACY



Deb Discenza and Jenny McCormick of PreemieWorld were featured in verywell family, sharing their preemie story and advice for parents in the NICU. Link: https://preemie.us/VeryWellFamily

Podcast guest, **Deb Discenza** shares her personal NICU experience as well as the work she does at PreemieWorld and helping parents navigate the NICU and their babies' continued development on **small talk - Growing Up Brainy**. Link: https://www.smalltalk.tech/nicu-awareness



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PREEMIE GENIUS



EARLY BIRD

An adorable and soothing way to read to your preemie in the NICU!

Early Bird

A lullaby story and keepsake all in one, by author, Sonia D. Smith



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PREEMIEWORLD TAGS

FINN COLE



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

Finn Cole was born at 25 weeks gestation and weighed 2.2 lbs., and spent 96 days in the NICU.

Today, the amazing Finn is 5-years old. He just started Kindergarten and is doing incredibly well in school!

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PREEMIE FREEBIES

OUTCOMES STATISTICS CARD

Our October freebie comes from **Preemie Crystal Ball** - **Prematurity and ADHD**. Preemie Crystal Ball continues to Power Preemie Research that will help develop supportive and integrative care for prematurity-impacted families. Ahora disponible en Español!



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