

New sibling support program

TAKING CARE OF THE WHOLE FAMILY

At PHS, we know that taking care of the child means supporting the whole family. With the new Sibling Support Program, our clinical social worker will spend time with the brothers and sisters of children with medical complexities as they process feelings, work through emotions, and have the opportunity to express themselves alongside other siblings.

We're looking for children ages 6 - 11 who could attend evening sessions at the PHS office in Roseville.

If you know a family who could benefit from this service, ask them to visit: PHSSiblingSupport.com.

BRAIN BREAK!



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A NEW PERSPECTIVE WITH PHS & HOPEKIDS



Cover Story

Linae and Grant share a diagnosis of mitochondrial disease complex 1 deficiency, but beyond that, they are very much their own person.

to a career as a statistician someday. And thanks to the chock-full event calendar that HopeKids maintains, there is always an activity for both of them to attend – without the concerns of being out and about with their accessories.

“There’s always something interesting that I wouldn’t have thought to consider, like high school plays or sporting events,” said Kelly. “HopeKids kind of brought us into our own family of people that get it. At these events, having a bag of supplies for an emergency is normal. Like PHS, HopeKids really changed how we look at things.”

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“They’re quite opposite in their personalities and daily lives,” says their mom, Kelly.

Linae is a bubbly 11 year old who loves doing crafts and writing stories. At 14 years old, Grant enjoys cooking and looks forward

Responding to patient requests

A NEW YEAR MEANS EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENTS - INCLUDING ONLINE ORDERING, AND INCONTINENCE PRODUCTS DELIVERED TO OUR PATIENTS’ DOORS.

Our patients and families have asked for them, and we’ve been working hard behind the scenes to get everything up and running.

We’re excited to announce they’re officially here.

Now, caregivers can easily access, organize and order all of their PHS supplies online – including our new line of incontinence products. Our patients are now able to order diapers, briefs, liners, pants, pullups and underwear through our online ordering website.



Learn more about our new line of incontinence products at:
[PHSNewProducts.com](https://www.PHSNewProducts.com).

See our new online ordering website at:
[PHSOnlineOrdering.com](https://www.PHSOnlineOrdering.com).



Message from Our Medical Director

CONFERENCE GATHERS EXPERTS

This past December, I was fortunate to have been invited to an event titled **Designing Systems That Work for Children with Complex Health Care Needs** in Washington DC, where professionals were invited to speak on various subjects related to children with special health care needs.

Although less than 1% of children are identified as medically complex, this increasing population consumes a disproportionate amount of health care resources.

Topics included care planning and coordination, models of co-management and team care, and payment for complex care.

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