

Online education is live

IV BASICS FROM THE COMFORT OF HOME



In February, our education department was excited to announce the launch of its first online learning course, IV Basics.

“We wanted to be able to share the resources we’ve created, ensuring caregivers have access to top-of-the-line education on complex patient care,” said Rebecca Long, Director of Therapies and Education at PHS. “Not only do we want our staff to have the

very best training, but we want to provide access for all clinicians.”

Created in an innovative and interactive format, participants will be led through a number of self-paced modules designed to engage the learner on different topics that include learning through video, photos, graphics, animation, and more.

They will also have the opportunity to learn in a hands-on setting with an instructor at PHS after they complete the online portion.

Learn more and get started at [PediatricHomeService.com/Education/Courses](https://www.pediatrichomeservice.com/education/courses)



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Be sure to visit the Thrive blog at [PediatricHomeService.com/blog](https://www.pediatrichomeservice.com/blog)



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FAITH'S LODGE NOURISHES FAMILIES

By Dannell Shu, mom to PHS patient Levi



Four years ago I had a rare moment when my medically complex son, Levi, fell asleep after his therapist left our home. I had 5 extra

minutes of peace to myself before the next round of medications was due. I decided to check my email quick, read a little more carefully through the backlog of messages, and still have a moment to make a cup of tea. Or so I thought...

An email from PHS caught my eye. It was an invitation to join an event they were hosting. "PHS sponsors organizations?" I thought, "Who?" Scrolling down I found my answer: Faith's Lodge.

Inside the Faith's Lodge website I found the answer to a question I had been quietly asking myself for a year. "Do families like ours ever get to take a break? The kind that nourishes your soul."

Yes, answered Faith's Lodge. Yes.

To read more of Dannell's story, visit PediatricHomeService.com/blog/mama-shu



Thriving at Home IVIG KEEPS LOUIE IN THE GAME

At 16, Louie gets straight A's in school, plays travel and high school baseball, and has spent the last five years attending all of the University of Minnesota football games.

With such an active life, you wouldn't expect that Louie spent a lot of his childhood trying to identify why his immune system was extremely poor and a growing list of food intolerances seemed to only be getting worse. After intensive tests finally showed his symptoms were the result of an immune deficiency syndrome, Louie was able to begin IVIG therapy at home through PHS.

Today, the immunoglobulin treatment is administered by a nurse who knows him better than anyone else – his mom.

To learn more about Louie, visit PediatricHomeService.com/blog/louie-thrives

Families join the click ORDERING SUPPLIES GOT EASIER

PHS online ordering has been up and running for over two months, and our patient families have let us know they love the convenience it brings to their monthly supply order, which can now include our new line of incontinence products as well.

With Online Ordering, families can:

- Place monthly orders
- Review order history
- Allow others to order on their behalf
- View and print their supply list with photos
- Leave the insurance billing to us

Last month, we made the online ordering experience even better for families when we added the capability to order PHS prescription refills online as well.

Visit PHSOnlineOrdering.com to see what the talk is about!

Message from Our Medical Director UNDERSTANDING CEREBRAL PALSY

Cerebral palsy (CP) is a permanent disorder that involves movement and posture, and is considered a non-progressive disorder. However, CP patients may also have altered cognition, perception and sensation.

Causes of cerebral palsy include prematurity, chromosomal and brain abnormalities, hematologic and metabolic disorders, infection, and trauma.

Improvements in medical care have contributed to 30 year survival rates now greater than 80% in CP patients, and PHS has been able to play a role in benefitting this population by providing services that allow patients to thrive at home in our communities.

To learn more about cerebral palsy, visit PediatricHomeService.com/blog/maynard-cerebral-palsy

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