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LOCAL & NATIONAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- North Central Region Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nurse Society
October 14-15 – Bloomington, MN
- American Association for Respiratory Care Congress
October 15-18 – San Antonio, TX
- American Academy of Pediatrics National Conference & Exhibition
October 22-25 – San Francisco, CA
- FOCUS Fall 2016 Respiratory Care & Sleep Medicine Conference
October 27 – Poughkeepsie, NY
- Minnesota Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition
October 29 – Minneapolis, MN
- Annual IHI National Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care
December 4-7 - Orlando, FL

Respiratory Care Week

OUR STAFF TAKE EDUCATION ON THE ROAD OCTOBER 24-28



To celebrate Respiratory Care Week in late October, three of our respiratory therapists are going to be visiting hospitals around the state to provide education to our health care partners as

they present *Transitioning Home with a Trilogy Vent*.

We look forward to seeing our partners!



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EPILEPSY DOESN'T STOP CHARLOTTE'S JOY



When Charlotte was born, an EEG showed that she was having over 400 seizures a day. After spending three months

in the hospital while they worked to manage her seizures, Charlotte was diagnosed with a mutation of the SCN2A gene.

During that time, Charlotte's parents created a list to help capture all of the joys they wanted their daughter to experience.

"We wanted to make sure that she experienced as much joy as possible in her life," said Tracy, Charlotte's mom. "So we made a joy list, and then we asked friends and families to send in the joys they wanted her to experience."

Number 46 on the list is to run a marathon. And this fall, Charlotte will cross that item off as she is pushed along a course by a runner from My Team Triumph. Along with some of her daughter's biggest fans, Tracy will also participate to raise awareness and funds for the SCN2A Foundation.

To learn more about Charlotte, visit PediatricHomeService.com/blog/charlotte-thrives



Bullying at school **ADDRESSING THE PROBLEM** **THROUGH EDUCATION**

Bullying in schools should be taken very seriously - and as a provider, you have the opportunity to encourage parents to educate themselves and their children.

By teaching children from a young age that it is unacceptable to treat anyone poorly regardless of how they look or act and that it is important to tell an adult if someone is being bullied, our schools can be safe spaces for learning.

Bullying, in its many forms, is an especially pervasive issue that leaves a lasting impact - and unfortunately, children with disabilities are two to three times more likely to be bullied than other students.¹

Thankfully with the right resources and tools, bullying can be addressed and prevented in schools.

Find more resources and discussion at: PediatricHomeService.com/blog/bullying-in-school

1. Disabilities: Insights from Across Fields and Around the World; Marshall, Kendall, Banks & Gover (Eds.), 2009

Online ordering improves **RECENT UPDATES FOR FAMILIES**

We are always listening to feedback and suggestions from our families, whether it relates to the care they're receiving or how we can improve the way we do business - and our online ordering system, which launched over six months ago, is no exception.

Families have loved being able to order their supplies online day or night, and can also order their PHS pharmacy products there. We're excited to announce there are some brand new updates to the website to make the process even more seamless for patient families.

The site now includes:

- The ability to save the items in a cart for future access
- Option to receive a monthly email reminder to place orders
- The ability to view your order in your email

To learn about more of our latest updates or direct families to get started with online ordering, visit: PediatricHomeService.com/blog/online-ordering-updates

Message from our **Medical Director** **PROTECT THOSE AROUND YOU**

In 1900, the number one cause of death in Minneapolis was typhoid fever, and the average life expectancy was 48 years old - today the average expectancy is 78 years and typhoid fever is nowhere to be found, thanks to vaccinations that eradicated the disease.

But in today's world, when diseases - including those that are vaccine-preventable - break out anywhere, their spread to the United States is only a plane flight away.

Much of our patient population cannot receive vaccinations due to their weakened immune system, and as a result rely on herd immunity to keep them safe from otherwise-avoidable diseases. By encouraging patients and families to receive a flu vaccine this fall and additional vaccines as they're due, you are helping them protect themselves as well as those around them.

To hear Dr. Maynard speak on events in population health, visit PediatricHomeService.com/blog/maynard-vaccinations

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