

Special Visits, Pinwheels for Prevention, and More!

Patient Updates

Beyond These Four Walls



with more than just their medical needs. These "wraparound" services can range from advocating for a child's IEP plan at school to helping a family navigate the Medicaid system and everything in between. There are a million of these stories, because each and every one of our employees goes above and beyond for our patients every day. There are a few recent stories we thought we'd share with you, including a family displaced by a home fire, a patient needing school transportation, and our La Rabida food pantry. Click here to read the full story about how we help our patients well beyond our four walls.

Stories from Beyond These Four Walls

Governor Pritzker Signs Executive

La Rabida News

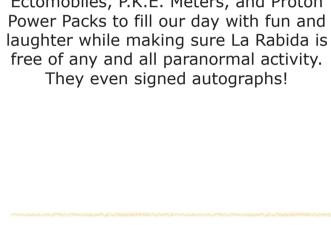
Order at La Rabida



own Dr. Peddinti spoke about sickle cell disease and how the cost of management is substantial and can be overwhelming for our families. We're honored that Governor Pritzker chose to host his press conference at La Rabida, and that he is taking steps toward finding a sustainable solution to finance and ensure equitable access to sickle cell disease treatments and other high-cost drugs in Illinois. We Love Special Visits!

Click on the photos below to see more pictures from each special visit!







playroom. With donut decorating, an appearance by Sprinkles Donut, and tours of our interactive patient spaces, it was wonderful day celebrating joy. We are so grateful for The Foundation's support, which also includes funding for our Child Life Program and therapy kitchen.



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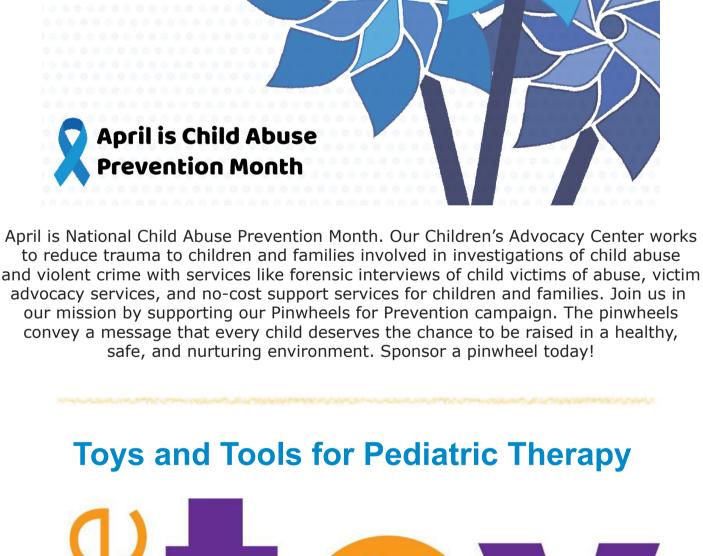


Support Our Mission

LA RABIDA CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTED **Pinwheels**

for Prevention

National Child Abuse Prevention Month



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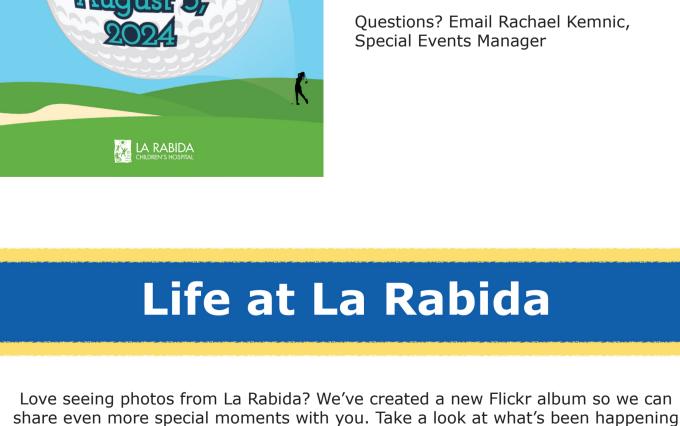
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Play is how children socialize, learn, and thrive, and having access to play during a hospital stay can be life changing. We're excited to receive a Play Grant from The Toy Foundation to improve the care and wellbeing of our children with the power

of play! This grant will fund therapeutic toys, crafts, and journals for patients served by our Behavioral Health programs. Pediatric therapy relies on many resources to engage in behavioral interventions, such as the use of fidget toys or coloring to cope with anxiety, or journaling and reading for depression. We also use a wide range of tools to develop coping skills like pinwheels, stress balls, jewelry making kids, and

Delivering Joy to Children in Need

even guided imagery cards. However, our families often do not have resources to purchase these items to practice at home. Now we can provide patients the tools they need to practice at home, helping them be more engaged in therapy, thus achieving their therapy goals. Save the Date! Make plans to join us FORE a great day of golf to support our amazing patients and families. More details and sponsorship opportunities to come.



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Life at La Rabida

so far in 2024, and come back regularly for new photos, too!









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