

FHF of Jefferson Distributes New Parent and Infants Packets to Hospitals

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It's no secret, the staff at FHF has always known some of the most important outreach we can do is to parents of newly diagnosed, young children.

Unfortunately, this also seems to be the most difficult population to reach. We've heard, over the years, that new parents are in denial, shock, overwhelmed, and confused. What seasoned parents know is early intervention is often the key to long term successes. It's because of this fact, we cannot give up on our outreach efforts to new parents.



Thanks to a grant provided by The New Orleans Hash Harriers (aka NOH3) and proceeds from their annual Red Dress Run, we were provided funding to create a new mom and infant packet.

The packet is in both English and Spanish and provides new parents of children born with disabilities, health care challenges or suspected of having developmental challenges, some important information to help guide them in accessing services and supports for their new baby. This includes the beginning of a New Parent



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Guide book to document important information, a certificate to receive a free binder for the book, a car seat safety sticker alerting first responders of critical medical information in the event of an auto accident and more.

Packets will be distributed to neonatal and pediatric hospital staff throughout the Metropolitan New Orleans area.

The New Orleans Hash Harriers (aka NOH3) are huge supporters of local non profit organizations. The next Red Dress Run will be held on August 8, 2015. For additional information or registration, go to <http://nolareddress.com/>.



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