

FIGHTING FOR MOMS AND BABIES DURING A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

HEALTHY MOMS. STRONG BABIES.



So much remains unknown about the novel coronavirus, COVID-19. As the world fights to understand and contain its spread, March of Dimes is taking action for moms and babies.

Our Supportive Pregnancy Care and NICU Family Support programs are continuing virtually so moms, babies and families receive the support they need. Our staff and volunteers have mobilized to assess and respond to needs in their communities.

We're a resource for credible information about the virus, offering knowledge and comfort during anxious times. My NICU Baby® app provides information about infection control and parent self-care, and our president and CEO Stacey D. Stewart is hosting weekly live expert panels on Facebook reaching more than 30,000 "viewers" or "people".

We're providing food to hospital NICU staff as they work on the front lines of this pandemic.

Through our advocacy outreach, we have partnered with hundreds of organizations to press government to address paid leave, take action to alleviate shortages of ventilators and personal protective equipment (PPE) for health-workers, and provide a special COVID-19 enrollment period to expand health coverage.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Our nation's moms and babies need your support now more than ever before. We're concerned pregnant women and babies may be at a greater risk of getting sick and not receiving the care they need.

We must take action now.

In March we also launched the Mom and Baby COVID-19 Intervention and Support Fund. We aim to raise \$10 million to address the urgent need for research, advocacy and education to protect moms, babies and families from COVID-19 and the unknown future effects of the virus.

As a leader in the fight for the health of all moms and babies, March of Dimes is positioned to make a difference. With your partnership, we will fight like never before.

"Right now is such an uncertain time. With so much developing information and lack of information, especially regarding pregnant women and COVID-19, having an organization that's advocating for this particular population is so important."

ALISON RUCH
M.D.

MOM AND BABY COVID-19 INTERVENTION AND SUPPORT FUND



RESEARCH

March of Dimes will support research to learn how moms and babies are impacted by COVID-19 and help fast track the development of interventions for COVID-19, such as a vaccine, that are safe for pregnant and lactating women.



ADVOCACY

March of Dimes will call on government officials to include pregnant and lactating women in COVID-19 clinical trials. We'll fight to ensure the most vulnerable populations across the nation have access to these vaccines and/or therapeutics once they are developed.



EDUCATION

March of Dimes will help families across the country stay informed about the latest COVID-19 countermeasures in development and distribution. Working closely with hospital and health care system partners, we'll ensure healthcare staff, NICU families and women in pregnancy care programs are receiving the resources and information they need to keep themselves and their families safe.



RESOURCES AND SUPPORT

March of Dimes will supply moms and babies, and the health care providers supporting them, with essential resources as a result of this crisis.

Once the goal of the Mom and Baby COVID-19 Intervention and Support Fund has been satisfied, March of Dimes will distribute donations where the need is greatest to support the health of all moms and babies.



YOU ARE ESSENTIAL

Your support helps ensure moms and babies are healthy and strong during this global crisis.

To support the March of Dimes' **Mom and Baby COVID-19 Intervention and Support Fund**, visit marchofdimes.org/covid19fund.

