## NICU Nest in Collaboration with Riley Hospital for Children at IU Health 2020 Virtual Reunion Resources Packet











When you learn a child you love has a special medical, developmental, behavioral or emotional need. . .

## Who would YOU call?

Thousands of families raising children with special needs over the past 30 years have called **About Special Kids (ASK)** for support, access to resources, and help with:

- ☐ Health insurance options
- ☐ State and federal programs
- ☐ School-based programs
- ☐ Community programs
- ☐ Support groups
- ☐ Respite
- ☐ Medical equipment
- ☐ Special education law
- ☐ Mental and Behavioral Health programs

**ASK** helps Indiana families and caregivers with the challenges of navigating the many systems and resources to raise their children with special needs from birth through age 22.

**ASK** serves children with needs ranging from learning and behavioral health issues to significant disabilities and life-threatening illnesses.

**ASK** staff are extensively and continually trained as well as parents of children with special needs themselves. Parent liaisons focus on teaching families how to anticipate child and family needs, identify appropriate resources, and access community systems to help achieve their goals.

About Special Kids values the power of parent-to-parent support and the vast potential of every child. We provide answers, resources, and connections vital to families raising children with special needs, preparing each family to meet their respective challenges and to achieve their goals while championing them to live their best lives.

ASK Mission Statement