

OUR MISSION

CHI is the leading organization dedicated to improving the lives of people with hyperinsulinism (HI). HI is a life-threatening disorder that causes dangerously low blood sugar levels due to the over-production of insulin. Prolonged or severe low blood sugar can cause seizures, brain damage, and even death.

CHI supports research toward better treatments and a cure, tirelessly advocates for timely diagnosis and improved standards of care, and supports people living with HI every step of the way.

We thank you for partnering with us to prevent unnecessary brain damage and death, search for better treatments, and improve the quality of life for all HI patients.



SUGAR SOIRÉE 2021

7:00 PM EDT PROGRAM

Welcome from our host, Turaya Bryant Kamau

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

Be My Sugar Extraordinary Volunteer Award Julie Elbaum and Lena Mikacich

Be My Sugar Inaugural Center of Excellence Award

- Congenital Hyperinsulinism Center at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, PA, United States
- Hyperinsulinism Center at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, TX, United States
- Great Ormond Street Hospital Congenital Hyperinsulinism Service in London, in the United Kingdom
- Charite-Universitatsmedizin Berlin and the University Children's Hospital Duesseldorf partnership in Germany
- Collaborative Alliance on Congenital Hyperinsulinism headquartered in Magdeburg, Germany
- Northern Congenital Hyperinsulinism Service in Manchester and Liverpool, in the United Kingdom

Be My Sugar Extraordinary Fundraising Award Nomi and Michael Plaut

CHI UPDATE WITH JULIE RASKIN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

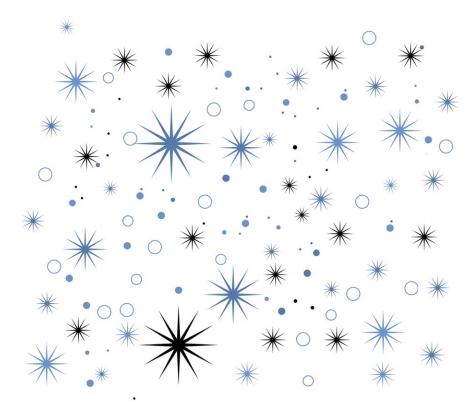
LIVE FUNDRAISING APPEAL WITH LEIGHTON SHELDON

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TURAYA BRYANT KAMAU

Turaya Bryant Kamau is our host for the 2021 Sugar Soirée. Professionally, Turaya is a Broadcast Producer for CBS Saturday Morning. Turaya is an accomplished broadcast journalist, mother, college professor, and CHI Board Member. She lives with her husband Nick Kamau and their children Malcolm and Grace in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



LETTER FROM CHI'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I am so grateful for each and every one of you in our treasured Sugar Soirée community for joining us tonight. We have a new tagline, "When too little sugar hurts, we help." Everyone here tonight is part of that WE, and together we had a year full of momentum, and tonight we celebrate.

Yes, again, we are not able to join all together, in person, and we are very sad about that. However, over the year, we have truly adapted to the virtual world and seen an expanding community. Tonight, we have people joining from all over the world, and we are so thankful there is a way to close the distance between each other.

Together, tonight, we will celebrate the inaugural class of Congenital Hyperinsulinism Centers of Excellence. The bar was set very high; those institutions and partnering institutions chosen are providing the highest quality of care in the world for congenital hyperinsulinism (HI) patients and their families around the world. While, in this first class, the centers are in the US and Europe, many of these centers provide care to patients from all over the world. We hope this designation will be an excellent guide for families seeking the very best outcomes for their loved ones. In addition to providing the very best care, these centers are heavily involved in research and are all working to make the future better for those with the condition. The professionals at these centers also share their knowledge with other clinicians and researchers.

Bravo to:

- Congenital Hyperinsulinism Center at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, PA, United States
- The Hyperinsulinism Center at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, TX, United States
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Tonight, we also celebrate the advocates who work closely with CHI to make a brighter future for those with HI possible. Two remarkable teenagers are honored tonight with the *Be My Sugar Extraordinary Volunteer Award*. Julie Elbaum and Lena Mikacich, from just outside of Chicago and California respectively, joined together virtually to support CHI. They focused on supporting research through the Million Dollar Bike Ride. Their experience of living with HI led them to want to give back. They helped each other raise awareness of importance of supporting research in their respective communities and together they made a huge difference. They have become incredible role models for community members, young and old.

Finally, tonight, we celebrate two HI parents new to CHI, who invited their entire community to support HI research as a way of introducing their friends and family to the experiences their own child has gone through; a diagnostic process with too many twists and turns and the complicated management of the condition. They shared with their community why research matters and in doing so created the biggest Million Dollar Bike Ride campaign in CHI history. In addition to being fantastic fundraisers, they are also incredibly compelling speakers, and it is our joy to honor them tonight.

The work we do would not be possible without all of you: supporters, our generous sponsors, our dedicated board of directors, and our brilliant scientific, medical, patient, and caregiver advisors, and my dedicated CHI staff colleagues. I want to thank Jennifer Schmitt for being the engine behind the Sugar Soirée and all CHI events. Tonight, and always, I am humbled to work with such an amazing group of people. Celebrate, enjoy, and remember you are all the Sweetest Supporters on the Sweetest night of the year.

Sincerely,

Julie Raskin

Executive Director

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Congenital Hyperinsulinism International

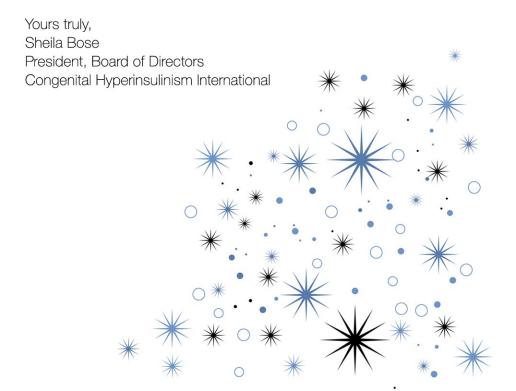
LETTER FROM CHI'S PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thanks to everyone for coming together tonight to celebrate the amazing year we had at CHI. This community really pivoted during the pandemic and was able to do some amazing things. I am so proud of the great accomplishments and our newly awarded Centers of Excellence that will allow all our patients/families to access the care they deserve for HI.

I would also like to thank our volunteers, our patients, parents and all of the CHI allies who continue to raise awareness about HI, fundraise and just rise to the occasion.

This evening is so special to me to be with the CHI community who welcomed me only seven years ago after losing our son Aneesh.

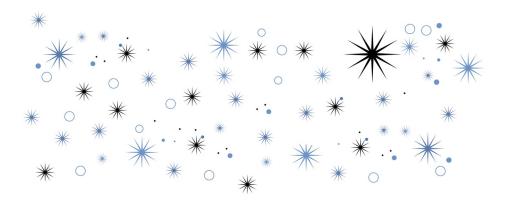
Rohit and I are honored and humbled to spend this evening with you. Thank you so much for coming.



FROM CHI



The CHI Board of Directors and staff congratulate and thank the 2021
Sugar Soirée Benefit Committee and Junior Committee. They have made this a truly memorable and successful event. They have shared their time, energy and talents to make this the #SweetestGala ever!



TONIGHT'S HONOREES

BE MY SUGAR EXTRAORDINARY VOLUNTEER AWARD



Julie Elbaum



Lena Mikacich

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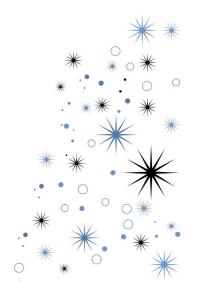
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Turaya Bryant Kamau

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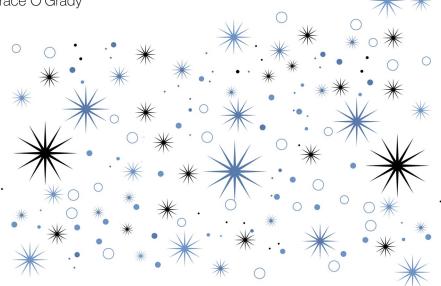
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We are also grateful to have such an active and enthusiastic group of young people supporting our cause on the Junior Committee.

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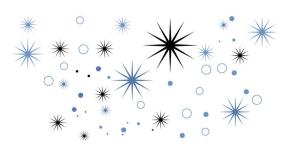
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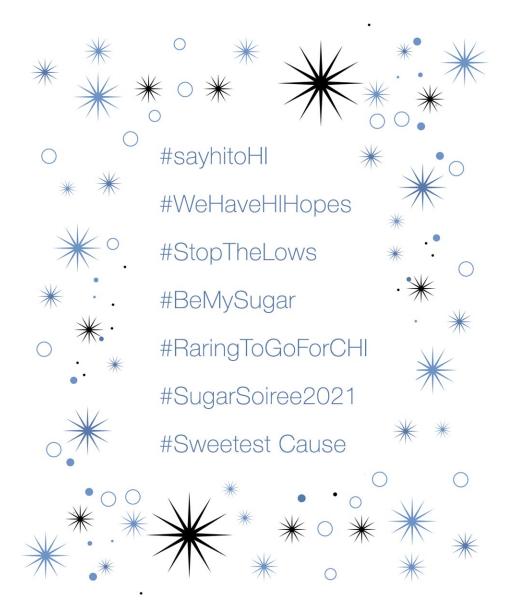














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