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MARCH OF DIMES AND ASTARTE MEDICAL SUPPORT NICU FAMILIES, STAFF THROUGH MEALS THAT MATTER *Astarte Medical provides funds to nourish families and front line staff in the NICU*

(Philadelphia, PA October 27,2021)— March of Dimes, the leading nonprofit fighting for the health of all moms and babies, is partnering with Astarte Medical and the neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and at Hospital of University of Pennsylvania to deliver families and staff Meals That Matter on Tuesday, November 9th. These meals are a result of the generosity and dedication of Astarte Medical and prepared by Wild Blue Catering.

"Proper nutrition for preterm infants is essential to their growth and development, and it's important to their caregivers as well. Astarte Medical is honored to partner with March of Dimes to provide healthy meals to the families and clinical care teams at Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and Thomas Jefferson University Hospital who care for our tiny little fighters in their quest to grow and thrive." Tracy Warren, Co-Founder and CEO, Astarte Medical.

Recent precautions have sometimes limited parent presence or temporarily suspended access to meals for staff and families. This can make it difficult for staff and families that are spending extended time in the NICU. A healthy nutritious meal is important to the comprehensive support team of family and clinical staff to give them sustenance and strength during stressful times.

"Today, moms and babies are facing unprecedented challenges in the NICU with COVID-19. An already stressful experience has become more so due to infection control protocols meant to keep their family safe. Astarte Medical's support is having a direct impact for local families and NICU staff at a time when they need us the most," said Allison Lang, Executive Director, Greater Philadelphia/South Jersey March of Dimes chapter.

To learn more about how you can support all families and babies, visit marchofdimes.org or contact Allison Lang, Executive Director, Greater Philadelphia/South Jersey March of Dimes chapter at alang@marchofdimes.org

To learn more about how Astarte Medical supports nutrition and feeding practices in the NICU through its clinical decision support platform, NICUtrition, visit nicutrution.com or contact Tammi Jantzen, CFO, Astarte Medical at tammi@astartemedical.com.

About March of Dimes

March of Dimes leads the fight for the health of all moms and babies. We support research, lead programs and provide education and advocacy so that every family can have the best possible start. Building on a successful 80-year legacy of impact and innovation, we support every pregnant person and every family.

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About Astarte Medical

Astarte Medical is a precision nutrition company providing digital solutions to support nutrition and feeding practices in the NICU. NICUtrition® provides an intuitive presentation of feeding, nutrition and growth-related data to the NICU care team to improve outcomes for preterm infants. Visit astartemedical.com and nicutrition.com for more information. Visit nicutrition.com/just-for-parents for information for NICU parents. Find us on [LinkedIn](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#).

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