GRIN2B Family Weekend Sponsorship Opportunities

GRIN2B Foundation is hosting its first GRIN2B Family Weekend at the Hyatt Regency O’Hare (Chicago) on July 10-12, 2020. This is a new format for us, but based on the feedback we received after our 2018 Conference, this event will focus a little less on science and more on providing families with support and resources, as well as giving ample time for parents and their children to connect and bond with families who understand their circumstances.

“I define connection as the energy that exists between people when they feel seen, heard and valued; when they can give and receive without judgment; and when they derive sustenance and strength from the relationship” - Brene Brown

There will also be opportunities for families to participate in a research project with our 2019 Research Grant recipient, Dr. Caitlin Hudac.

This information is shared with you as part of our invitation to attend or support our conference as a sponsor or a vendor. It is our hope to build lasting relationships with our conference sponsors and vendors.

Our 2018 Family Conference had 80 attendees and we hope to have over 100 attendees this time. To make our event as accessible as possible, we are providing limited travel scholarships to families, we will livestream and record many of our sessions AND we are planning many fun activities for children to participate in while parents are in sessions.

We expect this event will be our most exciting and impactful one yet. We are a small non-profit with an estimated patient population of 250 people worldwide. The expenses to put on a biennial conference/meetup are significant.

What is GRIN2B? GRIN2B is a gene responsible for sending chemical messages to the brain. Variations on the GRIN2B gene change how the brain receives these messages and lead to a diagnosis of GRIN2B-Related Neurodevelopmental Disorder. Common symptoms include hypotonia, intellectual disability, speech delays and gross and fine motor delays.

What is GRIN2B Foundation? Formed in 2017, we are a 501(c)3 non-profit, focused on providing support to families, promoting awareness of this ultra-rare disorder and funding research that will lead to treatments and cures for those diagnosed with GRIN2B-Related Neurodevelopmental Disorder.

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What parents are saying about GRIN2B Foundation:

“The GRIN2B Foundation is a beacon. When the genetic test report was read to us, we were like a ship in the night just trying to find safe ground. We have found safety and hope in this beacon. Once our feet were firmly planted on the ground, the GRIN2B Foundation has repeatedly been the source of meaningful connection and inspiring work towards understanding prognosis and a realistic path to a cure.”
- Dad of a child with GRIN2B

“Being new parents to a child with undiagnosed special needs was the most difficult thing we had ever been through. Getting a diagnosis that is so rare didn’t give us much comfort, either. We had a lot of feelings of isolation, knowing very well how badly family and friends wanted to be there for us in a way they just couldn’t. What finally gave us comfort was the warm welcoming into the GRIN2B family’s parent support group.”
- Mom of a child with GRIN2B
Sponsorship Benefits
GRIN2B Family Weekend in Chicago, IL on 7/10/20 - 7/12/20

Choose the sponsorship package that is best for you or your business

Bronze Sponsor $250
- A mention on our website & social media platforms with a link to your company.
- Your name or business name listed in our conference program.

Silver Sponsor $500
- A mention on our website & social media platforms with a link to your company.
- Your name or business name listed in our conference program.
- You may also send materials for us to include in our conference folders.

Gold Sponsor $1000
- A mention on our website & social media platforms with a link to your company.
- Your name or business name listed in our conference program.
- Your business name/logo displayed on a poster at the conference.
- You may send information for us to include in our conference folders.

Platinum Sponsor $2500
- A mention on our website & social media platforms with a link to your company.
- Your business name/logo displayed on a poster at the conference and a short company description listed in our conference program.
- A table for the duration of our conference with two registrations included.
- A chance to speak briefly during one of our large group sessions to help our attendees learn more about the services you have to offer.

Diamond Sponsor $5000
- A listing on our website’s front page & social media platforms with a link to your company.
- Your business name/logo displayed on a poster at the conference and a short company description listed in our conference program.
- A table for the duration of our conference with four registrations included.
- An opportunity to present a 30-minute break out session for attendees.

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100% of funds raised through this sponsorship campaign will be used for the conference. Amounts raised that exceed the cost of the conference will be awarded to families for travel stipends.

**Ready to sponsor our conference?**

Please complete our [online sponsorship form](#).

Checks should be made payable to GRIN2B Foundation and can be mailed to:

PO Box 481223, Niles, IL 60714

Thank you for your interest in sponsoring our conference. We are grateful for your consideration and your support.

Questions? Email Liz Marfia-Ash at [liz.marfia-ash@grin2b.com](mailto:liz.marfia-ash@grin2b.com)

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