



Welcome! Your GI clinic is part of the ImproveCareNow Network, a collaborative community where clinicians, researchers, patients and parents are empowered to learn and continuously improve to bring about more reliable, proactive IBD care for healthier children & youth. **Our mission is to transform the health, care and costs for all children and adolescents with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis by building a sustainable collaborative chronic care network that works to improve outcomes for kids with IBD.** [Learn more about ImproveCareNow.](#)

### Join ImproveCareNow's CIRCLE Community!



In ImproveCareNow, we want to make sure that every person living with IBD has "what I need, when its needed." We share stories, resources, and updates about the work that ImproveCareNow is doing to improve IBD outcomes in our CIRCLE eNewsletter.

Don't miss an issue – [Sign up to Join ImproveCareNow's CIRCLE](#)

Below are examples of what we share on a biweekly basis in our CIRCLE eNewsletter.

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### Learn from ICN Patients

Patient Advisory Council members are gracious with sharing their experiences living with IBD, by [writing LOOP posts](#), creating [IBD Resources](#), and even producing their own podcast, [ImPACT!](#)

In the summer months, many families are starting to prepare for school in the fall. The PAC have created resources to help guide families, including the [Accommodations Toolkit](#), and the [College & IBD Toolkit](#). These guides include tips on many different areas of IBD & School, including how to fill out 504 plans and testing accommodations.

[Learn more about other IBD Resources](#)

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### ICN Data Report

We are pleased to share the [ImproveCareNow 2020 Annual Data Report](#). This report aims to present a brief summary of the patient data captured in the ICN Registry, including commentary on the impact of and response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Our registry is a powerful resource for advancing knowledge about pediatric Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, which helps us continuously improve outcomes for young people living with IBD. We hope you will check it out!

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## Research Explained

We believe that to truly outsmart IBD, the questions we ask and the answers we find must be generated by and useful to those whose lives they will impact – patients and their families! ICN research is prioritized based on what matters most to patients and parents, and we are committed to sharing our results so everyone can understand and take advantage of what's been learned. [ICN Research Explained](#) is a series of LOOP posts that help to simplify recent research findings so that learnings can be shared more widely. Articles are reviewed by the Parent Working Group (PWG) research subcommittee.

[Read more about ICN Research Explained](#)

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## Current Opportunities

Getting involved and supporting the work of ImproveCareNow can be as simple as taking one small action:

- [Help Us Grow Our CIRCLE](#)  
Connect with a welcoming & supportive community, and receive IBD resources, community stories, and ImproveCareNow updates & opportunities. You don't have to do life with IBD alone. [Learn More >>](#)
- [Join the Patient Advisory Council](#)  
Patients with IBD (14+) are invited to join the PAC. [Learn More >>](#)
- [Join the Parent Working Group](#)  
Parents and guardians of children with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis are invited to join the PWG. [Learn More >>](#)
- [Read and listen to Patient & Parent Ignite Talks](#)  
Patients & Parents share their stories and how ImproveCareNow, the PAC, and the PWG have helped them on their IBD journey. [Learn more >>](#)

*Thanks for being an improver,*

**ImproveCareNow**

<http://www.improvecarenow.org/>

**What is ImproveCareNow?** ImproveCareNow (ICN) is a Learning Health Network dedicated to transforming care, health and costs for all children and youth with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis (Inflammatory Bowel Disease or IBD) by building a sustainable collaborative chronic care network. ICN is enabling and empowering patients, families, clinicians, and researchers to work together in a learning health care system to accelerate innovation, discovery and the application of new knowledge, and transform care and outcomes of children with IBD.

**Why am I getting this email?** Your care center belongs to ImproveCareNow and is sharing resources that may help you or your child living with IBD.

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