



### GLOBAL Advocates for Down Syndrome in D.C.!

GLOBAL attended the Down Syndrome Advocacy Conference in Washington, D.C. to take the lead in advocacy for increased Down Syndrome INCLUDE funding at the National Institutes of Health and to support NDSS and NDSC's legislative priorities in the areas of education and employment. While there, GLOBAL CEO Michelle Sie Whitten presented at pre-conference and health and wellness sessions. [Learn more about INCLUDE & GLOBAL's advocacy.](#)



### GLOBAL Announces 2023 Employment Award Recipients!

The Global Down Syndrome Foundation awarded \$16,000 in employment awards to Down syndrome organizations across the United States. The GLOBAL Awards are an important benefit for our organization members that allow us to partner with local organizations and collaborate on programs that have a direct, positive impact for people with Down syndrome. This year's awards are going to 8 different organizations in Arizona, Michigan, Maryland, Tennessee, Oklahoma, New York, New Jersey, and Virginia to underwrite new or existing programs that employ or are run by people with Down syndrome. [About the awardees.](#)

### BECOME A GLOBAL MEMBER

#### Rep. Crow Secures \$950K for Down Syndrome Research

GLOBAL's Affiliate, the Linda Crnic Institute for Down Syndrome at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, acquired a state-of-the-art Immune Monitoring Station thanks to Community Project Funding that Rep. Jason Crow secured. The equipment will be used to better understand how the chronic inflammatory state in people with Down syndrome predisposes them to multiple co-occurring diseases and will significantly accelerate the pace of research discoveries at the Crnic Institute as well as treatments that lead to improved health outcomes for people with Down syndrome. [Learn more.](#)



#### Watch Now: GLOBAL CEO Speaks on Devil's Advocate Show

GLOBAL President & CEO Michelle Sie Whitten sits down for a candid interview with John Caldara on his current events show, Devil's Advocate. Covering everything from behavior to college to research to what happened to John's hair, the interview is filled with fun, fast-paced banter that only two parents of teenagers with Down syndrome can have! [Watch the full interview.](#)

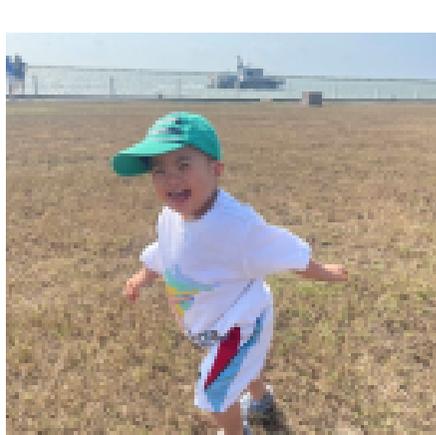


#### Sleep Apnea Across the Lifespan in People with Down Syndrome

Dr. Ignacio Tapia and Dr. Rachel Whelan were featured experts at the GLOBAL Webinar earlier this month and discussed the importance of multiple sleep studies across the lifespan. The webinar, which had over 400 registrants from 43 states and 13 countries, highlighted the most up-to-date treatment options for individuals with Down syndrome experiencing sleep issues and the consequences of untreated obstructive sleep apnea. Self-advocate Sam Levin also shared his personal experience with sleep apnea. Stay tuned for the full recap coming soon, and [register for our next the webinar here.](#)



Dr. Ignacio Tapia, MD & Dr. Rachel Whelan, MD



#### Share Your Springtime Photos with GLOBAL!

Spring has sprung! Send us favorite photos of your loved ones with Down syndrome for a chance to be featured in GLOBAL's Down Syndrome World™ magazine! [Submit your photo here.](#)



#### Happy Autism Awareness Month!

April is National Autism Awareness Month! Did you know an estimated 20% of people with Down syndrome also have Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)? Join GLOBAL in celebrating all of the amazing people in your life with Autism. [What is a dual diagnosis?](#)

### Please Donate!

Your gift will fund life-changing research and medical care. Together we will elongate lives and improve health outcomes for people with Down syndrome!

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The Global Down Syndrome Foundation (GLOBAL) is the largest non-profit in the U.S. working to save lives and dramatically improve health outcomes for people with Down syndrome. GLOBAL has donated more than \$32 million to establish the first Down syndrome research institute supporting over 400 scientists and over 2,200 patients with Down syndrome from 33 states and 10 countries. Working closely with Congress and the National Institutes of Health, GLOBAL is the lead advocacy organization in the U.S. for Down syndrome research and medical care. GLOBAL has a membership of over 100 Down syndrome organizations worldwide and is part of a network of Affiliates – the Crnic Institute for Down Syndrome, the Sie Center for Down Syndrome, and the University of Colorado Alzheimer's and Cognition Center – all on the Anschutz Medical Campus. GLOBAL's widely circulated medical publications include [GLOBAL Medical Care Guidelines for Adults with Down Syndrome](#), [Prenatal & Newborn Down Syndrome Information](#), and the award-winning [Down Syndrome World™](#) magazine. GLOBAL also organizes the [So Beautiful Be Yourself! Fashion Show](#), the largest Down syndrome fundraiser in the world.

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