

Special points of interest:

- Riley RN Presents at KIM Conference
- Convaid Introduces New Special Needs Seat
- "Safe Travel" Class



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Special Needs Update

Riley RN Presents at KIM Conference

Michelle Chappelow, RN, CPST-I presented with other panel members on safe transportation of children with special health care needs as a preconference event for the 7th Annual Kidz In Motion Conference on August 10, 2011. Michelle is currently employed as the Child Passenger Safety Educator for Riley Hospital for Children. Panel members presented current recommendations, products, and resources available for children with special needs who may face transportation challenges. Kidz in Motion (a non-profit corporation) was formed to coordinate a national conference dedicated to Child Passenger Safety professionals. The 8th Annual Kidz In Motion Conference will be held at the The Omni at Champions Gate Hotel, August 16-18 2012 in Orlando, Florida. For more information visit www.kidzinmotion.org.

Convaid Enters Special Needs Child Restraint Market

Known for their light weight wheel chairs, Convaid has developed a new child restraint for children with special health care needs. The Carrot is a belt positioning booster seat designed to grow with the child from approximately age three to fifteen. Available accessories include modular seat extensions to adjust for growth, a foam tray, and foot rests. The carrot can recline at any position from 90-180 to accommodate for personal care needs when not in transit. The Carrot is certified for aircraft travel and will become available in Fall of 2011. For more information contact Convaid at www.convaid.com or (888) 266-8243.



“Safe Travel for All Children” Class Held at Riley

Staff from the National Center for Safe Transportation of Children with Special Healthcare Needs taught the class “Safe Travel for All Children: Transporting Children with Special Health Care Needs” at Riley Hospital for Children on September 7-8, 2011. Fourteen technicians from all over the country took the class as well as three technicians who successfully completed their instructor candidacy. The instructor candidates were the following: Sarah Haverstick- Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt, Nashville, TN (new IC), Phyllis Larimore- Children's Mercy Hospital and Clinics, Kansas City, MO (renewing IC), and Ronda Lusk- Via Christi Regional Medial Center Outreach and Prevention, Wichita, KS (renewing IC). For a list of upcoming classes, visit www.preventinjury.org/trainingOpp.asp.

