



Transforming the lives of chronically ill children, and their families, shifting all from **surviving to thriving - until cures are found.**

Greetings!

Week 10 of 'lock down', reflecting on the cumulative impact for my loved ones, I can't help but feel enormous compassion for Bounce Kiddos/Siblings/Parents.

Far too many endure the fear of contagion, angst of uncertainty, chafing at relentless constraints, and wearying fatigue of social isolation, as a *constant way of life*. Perhaps because May is National Mental Health Awareness month, their struggles feel even more poignant.

But the truth is, it's their grit I think about - and admire - most! While the rest of us "whine" about temporary (and seemingly never ending) disruptions in our lives, Bounce Families power through.

Take **Anita, mother of two Bounce Kiddos, wife and daughter of two front line workers** We chose her for a social media shout out on Mother's Day because she's incredible and unstoppable, everyday. Little did we know, she was **quarantined in her basement battling Corona virus**. Forced to fight the illness alone, keeping her husband safe to care for the kids, she didn't complain. She gave a shout out to all Moms, to essential workers, to Bounce for always being there for her family in a way no other organization is. **That's grace under pressure, and resilience!**

Despite the unprecedented challenges currently faced by all organizations, Bounce sees bigger, bolder, and brighter days ahead. We are powering through - for Anita, for all Bounce Moms (and Dads), Siblings and Kiddos. With your help, we will always be able to power through. Thank you!

Stay safe. Stay strong. Bounce.

Joan M. Steltmann
Chief Executive Officer

Super Hero *Bounce Back Kit*[®]

*"A true hero isn't measured by the size of his strength,
but by the size of his heart." - Zeus*



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for prepping & packing 400+ family care packages,
one for every Bounce Family in our program!

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In Her Own Words

Transforming Lives is the *best job ever* for former Program Manager, Brittany

[TESTIMONIAL PAGE](#)

Bounce Virtual 5k

**Looking for an excuse to get outside, get active -
and change the lives of Anita and all Bounce Moms?**



Join Bounce Children's Foundation for a casual, for-fun, **Virtual 5K!**

Each registrant is automatically entered into a raffle to **win an iPad.**

[**Register Here!**](#)

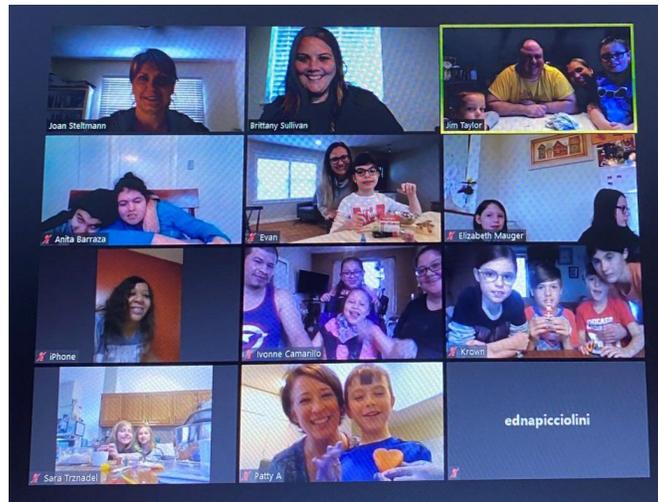
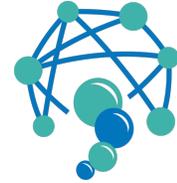
Website Enhancement

A “What’s New!” section has been added to the Bounce homepage for easy navigation. Check often for the latest and greatest that Bounce has to offer!

Currently featured: Bounce’s [apparel store](#)

Bounce Net[®] Worry Stone Craft Activity

A ‘Virtual’ Escape



Bounce Dad, Jim, led families in a super fun craft activity via Zoom, which doubled as fine motor skill therapy - but don’t tell the kids!



Best Bites 2020 - Postponed

Yesterday should have been Best Bites for Bounce 2020. We are still working to reschedule in 4Q2020. Until then... Our taste buds will have to wait!



Bounce is still looking for a Program Manager and Development Manager

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