

# How you will help

# Sign up today

## REGISTRATION (Please Print)

Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.  Dr.

First \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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City \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

(so we can send you information online)

Participation Level  5K Run  1-Mile Fun Walk  
 Straight Donation

Gender  M  F Age \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt Size

S  M  L  XL  XXL

T-shirts will be given to the first 400 registered participants

### Registration Fee:

\$20 prior to the event / \$25 day of the event

Children under 13 are free

Please complete registration form and waiver.

**Make checks payable to:**  
Making Precious Strides, Inc

**Mail registration form and payment to:**  
Zach's Run c/o Making Precious Strides, Inc  
3121-D Fire Road #321  
Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234

## WAIVER

I know that running is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter and run unless I am physically fit, medically able and properly trained. I agree to abide by any decision of a race official relative to my ability to safely complete the run. I hereby certify I am in good health, and I have trained to run the distance of the race of which I am entering. I assume all risks associated to running in this event, all risks being known and appreciated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in considering your accepting my entry into this running event, I, for myself and anyone entitled to act on my behalf waive and release Making Precious Strides, our race timer, their officials, directors, agents, employees and volunteers, all sponsors, their representatives and successors, from all claims or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event even though that liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities named in this waiver. I grant permission to all the foregoing to use my photographs, motion pictures, recordings, videos, or any other recording of this event for legitimate purposes. I understand that bicycles, skateboards, rollerskates or inline skates are not allowed in this event and I will abide by this rule.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent's signature required if participant is less than 18 years old.)



If you need more information, contact (609) 513-4029 or e-mail [Info@ZachsRun.org](mailto:Info@ZachsRun.org).



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## ABOUT US

Making Precious Strides, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization founded in 2006 and is located in Atlantic County, New Jersey. Making Precious Strides, Inc. is dedicated to helping those affected by Hunter Syndrome (MPS II). The group's primary goal is to raise funds for medical research as well as generate greater awareness of the disease.

For more information visit  
[www.MakingPreciousStrides.org](http://www.MakingPreciousStrides.org)

Register today!

# Zach's Run

## 5K RUN & FUN WALK



**Celebrating  
Our 5th  
Year!**

6th Street & the Boardwalk  
Ocean City, NJ

**September 18, 2010**

7:30 AM Registration

9:00 AM Race

*Featuring Kids' Activities  
Including The Tot Trot!*

[www.ZachsRun.org](http://www.ZachsRun.org)

Save time: Register online at [www.ZachsRun.org](http://www.ZachsRun.org)

Ask friends and family members to participate!

# Why we started

## FOUNDERS' LETTER

Dear Friends,

In the summer of 2005, our son Zachary was diagnosed with a rare, life-threatening genetic disease known as Hunter Syndrome (MPS II) for which there is no cure. Making Precious Strides, Inc. was founded to create awareness and raise money to help find a cure for Hunter Syndrome.

Hunter Syndrome (Mucopolysaccharidosis II or MPS II) is an inherited disorder in which an enzyme, iduronate-2-sulfatase (I2S), is deficient. I2S is involved in the breakdown of complex carbohydrates called mucopolysaccharides. Without sufficient I2S in the body, partially broken-down mucopolysaccharides accumulate in various organs and tissues of the body leading to potentially life-threatening complications. This is a permanent medical condition.

Please help us find a cure for this devastating disease. Until recently, there was relatively little research into this rare condition. Progress will continue to be slow unless we gain the support of individuals like you who recognize the precious gift of promise and hope that lives within each child with Hunter Syndrome.

We are proud to announce that this year's event marks our fifth year anniversary. When we originally started Zach's Run, we did not expect the event to grow into the event that it is today with hundreds of participants coming out to show their support for Hunter Syndrome while raising over \$84,000 for research programs. In 2009, MPS, Inc. donated over \$20,000 to research hospitals.

We hope you will join us on Saturday, September 18 and help raise awareness of Hunter Syndrome!

Sincerely,

Chris & Cheryl Dearth  
Founders

# What it is

## EVENT DETAILS

The event will be held on Saturday, September 18, rain or shine, with registration beginning at 7:30 A.M. at Sixth Street and the Boardwalk in Ocean City, New Jersey.

The event consists of a 5K (3.1-mile) run and 1-mile fun walk open to all ages. The 5K race starts on the boardwalk, heading north on to the road route with the finish line on the track. Participants in the 1-mile fun walk will start on the boardwalk and head south. Overall male and female winners of the 5K race will receive medals. Medals will also be awarded to the first three male and female finishers in each of the following categories: 9-13, 14-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, and 70+. Special recognition will be given to the overall youngest finisher of the race.

Participants may register online prior to the event at [www.ZachsRun.org](http://www.ZachsRun.org) or by filling out and returning the form in this brochure. Registration fees are \$20 prior to the event and \$25 the day of the event. Children 8 and under are free.



## KIDS' ACTIVITIES

We are featuring more activities for kids this year such as a moon bounce, inflatable slides, face painting, games, and more. For a \$5.00 donation, kids will receive a bracelet which entitles them to participate in the Edward Woolley Tot Trot. All participants will receive a participation medal and goodie bag (while supplies last). Designed for younger children, the Tot Trot offers three age categories for children to take part.

Age Group	Track Distance
3 years and under	1/4 lap
4-5 years	1/2 lap
6-8 years	3/4 lap

Sign up during registration on the event day.

# Why it matters

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Hunter Syndrome (Mucopolysaccharidosis II) is a life-threatening, genetic disease that affects the body's ability to break down mucopolysaccharides in joints and soft tissue leading to life-long complications. Although the disease is uncommon, consider these startling facts:

### FAST FACTS:

- At least 1 out of 162,000 children worldwide are affected by Hunter Syndrome
- A child affected by Hunter Syndrome may live into their 60's if their diagnosis is mild or, if they have severe Hunters, they may only reach the age of 15. However, regardless of their severity, their life will be altered dramatically.
- MPS II occurs in boys, and girls may be carriers of the gene for MPS II. Although rare, MPS II has been diagnosed in girls.
- There is an estimate in the United States that 1 in 25,000 births will result in some form of MPS.

For more information on Hunter Syndrome or MPS Type II, visit:

[www.Elaprase.com](http://www.Elaprase.com)

If you know someone with Hunter Syndrome or any form of MPS or would like to get involved as a volunteer in our organization, please contact (609) 513-4029 or e-mail to [Info@ZachsRun.org](mailto:Info@ZachsRun.org).

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