

About The Jorge Posada Foundation

The Jorge Posada Foundation is a non-profit organization established by the New York Yankees' All-Star Catcher, Jorge Posada, and his wife, Laura. Their son, Jorge Luis, was diagnosed with Craniosynostosis when he was just ten days old and has undergone eight major surgeries to correct the condition.

The purpose of The Jorge Posada Foundation is to: reach out to families in need, whose children are struggling with Craniosynostosis, and provide them with emotional support through its family support network; provide financial assistance to underwrite a portion of the costs of initial surgeries in its partner medical centers. The Jorge Posada Foundation also strives to create awareness about the condition through events and through funding other educational outreach efforts.

Laura and Jorge are very grateful that all of Jorge Luis' surgeries have been successful and that they were able to financially support the procedures. However, there are many other families who are not as fortunate.



The Jorge Posada Foundation
594 Broadway, Suite 1213
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THE JORGE POSADA FOUNDATION EIGHTH ANNUAL **HEROES4HOPE** *Gala*

BENEFITING CHILDREN & FAMILIES
STRUGGLING WITH CRANIOSYNOSTOSIS.

Preparation Teamwork Protection

Join us in Honoring **The 20 Greatest NY Yankee Catchers** who exemplify the values we hold dear in our efforts to support those struggling with Craniosynostosis.



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The Jorge Posada Foundation cordially invites you to the Eighth Annual celebration honoring the **20 Greatest NY Yankee Catchers**.

Thursday, September 10, 2009

Sheraton New York Hotel and Towers

811 7th Ave, New York, NY 10019

6:30 PM Cocktails

7:30 PM Dinner

Festive Attire

Greatest NY Yankee Catchers' Q&A

Moderated by MLB Studios on-air personality:

Harold Reynolds

Special Live Entertainment by Jon Secada



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About Craniosynostosis

Craniosynostosis is one of the most common physical deformities of a newborn occurring in about 1 in every 2,000 births. Craniosynostosis is a congenital birth defect characterized by the premature closure of one or more sutures, which often results in an abnormal head shape and, in severe cases, places excessive and damaging amounts of pressure on a growing brain.

The cause of Craniosynostosis is unknown. It can be hereditary, it can be caused by a genetic defect, or it can occur sporadically in a family with no affected relatives, as in the case with Jorge Luis Posada. Early and accurate diagnosis of the condition is essential. The primary treatment for Craniosynostosis during infancy is surgery.

Key Issues	Support for parents & children	Financial assistance to families in need	Early and accurate diagnosis, education & treatment
<p>What does the Jorge Posada Foundation Do and How do we Help</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jorge Posada Foundation's Mentors Program in US and Puerto Rico Sponsor of family conferences and events, such as: the North American Craniofacial Family Conference and the Children's Craniofacial Association Cher's Family Retreat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide grants to and partner with medical centers to increase their capacity to provide pro-bono surgeries and underwrite associated costs, such as: The Children's Hospital at Montefiore; The Institute for Reconstructive Plastic Surgery at New York University Hospital through NFFR; Connecticut Children's Medical Center Foundation; Winthrop Medical Center and Centro Medico Hospital in Puerto Rico. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sponsor educational seminars for pediatricians, such as the 2008 Craniosynostosis Symposium in partnership with Montefiore Medical Center in New York City and in Puerto Rico. Reconstruction to develop a virtual teaching tool to be distributed to 15,000 doctors in third-world countries and throughout the U.S. Provide grant to rehabilitate Craniosynostosis surgery recovery room at Centro Medico Hospital, Puerto Rico