

HPN Awareness Week Facts & Messaging

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- Home Parenteral Nutrition (HPN) is nutrition administered intravenously (through an IV), which may include carbohydrates, proteins, fat, minerals, electrolytes, vitamins, and other trace elements for patients who cannot eat or absorb enough nutrition through tube feeding formula or by mouth. #HPNAwarenessWeek
- People of all ages can receive #HPN. It may be given to infants and children, as well as to adults. #HPNAwarenessWeek
- People can live well on #ParenteralNutrition for as long as it is needed. Sometimes, parenteral nutrition is used for a short time; then it is decreased or stopped when the person begins to switch to tube feeding or eat enough by mouth. Other patients receive PN at home for their whole lives. #HPNAwarenessWeek
- Some PN users have made the switch from using an IV pole to carrying their IV fluid and pump in a backpack to make it more portable and increase their mobility. #HPNAwarenessWeek
- Oley and other partnering organizations are working to address the many challenges the PN community is facing when it comes to accessing necessary supplies and nutrition such as ongoing shortages, closures of infusion companies, and limited professionals knowledgeable about PN and IV nutrition. #HPNAwarenessWeek
- There are many different organizations dedicated to supporting consumers and clinicians in the #NutritionSupport community.

Some of these include:

[The Oley Foundation](#)
[American Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition \(ASPEN\)](#)
[National Home Infusion Association \(NHIA\)](#)
[Association for Vascular Access \(AVA\)](#)
[Global Enteral Device Supplier Association \(GEDSA\)](#)
[Infusion Nurses Society \(INS\)](#)

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