WORLD HEMOPHILIA DAY 2015

6.9 million people have a bleeding disorder
75 per cent of them do not know it

BUILDING A FAMILY OF SUPPORT

Every April 17, World Hemophilia Day is marked worldwide with the goal of increasing awareness of hemophilia and other inherited bleeding disorders. This is a critical effort since with increased awareness comes better diagnosis and access to care for the millions who remain without treatment.

World Hemophilia Day was started in 1989 by the World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) who chose to bring the community together on April 17 in honor of WFH founder Frank Schnabel’s birthday.

World Hemophilia Day 2015 is focused on the importance of Building a Family of Support. It is crucial that those with a bleeding disorder build a family and network to provide encouragement and care for them. As well a strong family and network can contribute to advocating for awareness and better Treatment for All.

A significant amount of care, support, and advocacy is done through extended families which come in many forms: medial teams, friends, and colleagues, as well as immediate relatives. These communities share the ability to come together in large numbers and encourage the improvement of the lives of people with a bleeding disorder.

There will be special activities for our online community so be sure to follow the WFH Facebook page (www.facebook.com/wfhemophilia) for details on World Hemophilia Day news and activities.

World Hemophilia Day 2015 will be a unique opportunity to connect with the global bleeding disorder family on the World Federation of Hemophilia social media network and encourage your online community to join the global family!

We are excited to invite you to join us on April 17 to mark World Hemophilia Day.

For additional World Hemophilia Day materials, visit www.wfh.org/whd.