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I am a dedicated advocate for preterm infants and their families, with a perspective shaped by both my professional expertise and my personal experience as the mother of a preterm child born at 27 weeks. Living on the French–Swiss border while remaining deeply connected to Hungary, I bring valuable cross-cultural insights into neonatal intensive care and follow-up systems across Europe. I am the proud mother of four children, including my son, who continues to face challenges related to extreme prematurity.

I am the Founder and Vice-President of Melletted a Helyem Egyesület (Right(s) Beside You Association), a Hungarian patient organization uniting doctors, healthcare professionals, policymakers, NGOs, and parents to improve neonatal care. Since 2015, I have served as a Parent Advisory Board member of EFCNI (now GFCNI) and of the European Standards of Care for Newborn Health project.

Originally trained as a nurse with experience in pediatric and cardiac intensive care, I later transitioned into patient advocacy and research. As an EUPATI Fellow, I actively contribute to national and international studies such as PREMSTEM and the INSPIRE Study. I am a member of the SCENE Steering Committee and collaborate as a patient researcher on several multidisciplinary projects. The most recent published scientific project in which I participated can be found here:  [International Breastfeeding Journal – 2024](#).

Since 2018, I have coordinated FINE (Family and Infant Neurodevelopmental Education) training in Hungary. In 2022 received an EFCNI Award for adapting FINE to online education in Hungarian. Having completed FINE 2, I am currently engaged in a FINE 3 quality improvement project on neonatal pain management at Semmelweis University in Budapest. Since 2018, I have also been a faculty member of the FINE UK team, lecturing and sharing my experience during FINE I training sessions in Hungary.

I have presented at numerous national and international conferences, focusing on expanding access to FINE and NIDCAP education globally. Each year, with the help of my association, NIDCAP experts are invited to give lectures at Hungarian neonatology conferences (including Prof. Jacques Sizun and Inga Warren).

Beyond advocacy, I am an active contributor to the NIDCAP community, serving as a member of the NIDCAP Family Council since 2018. As a patient representative, I participate in and provide reflections to the NIDCAP Trainers Meeting Program Planning Committee. Since 2025, I have also supported the work of the Developmental Observer.

I am honored to be considered for election to the NFI Board, and I am fully committed to advancing the mission of bringing NIDCAP care to infants, families, and healthcare systems worldwide. In the short term, my goal is to begin my own NIDCAP training at the earliest opportunity.