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Press Release Summary: The Parents Via Egg Donation Organization, or PVED, a non-profit organization was created to provide an informational and supportive environment where parents and parents-to-be can come together to exchange information about all facets of the egg donation process.



Press Release Body:
The Parents Via Egg Donation Organization, or PVED, was created to provide an informational and supportive environment where parents and parents-

to-be can come together to exchange information about all facets of the egg donation process.

Our mission and purpose is to educate, support, and empower families and individuals at any stage of the process who choose to use egg donation to build a family.

PVED offers information regarding agencies, legal and medical professionals, treatment centers, mental health therapists, pharmaceutical companies, and other resources.

We are asked how **PVED** came to be – after many years of struggling with infertility, our founder, Marna Gatlin, discovered that the technology to have a child through egg donation was available. Marna was curious, excited, and above all, hopeful that this process might be the conduit to finally achieving my lifelong dream of becoming a parent.

As she began her quest to learn about egg donation, Marna quickly became frustrated by the lack of information available about this particular assisted reproduction technology. What Marna needed was education and support, but it seemed she was on her own.

Finally, while scouring the Internet, Marna happened to find a small e-mail listserv called **Mothers via Egg Donation**, or **MVED**. It was this group that became her lifeline throughout the process of conceiving her son, and eventually became its primary moderator.

MVED now has over 1,100 members who share clinic, donor agency, medication, mental health, and other information about egg donation on a daily basis. Members discuss Society of Assisted Reproduction (SART) success rates and statistics as well as American Society of Reproductive Medicine (ASRM) guidelines in order to gain a better understanding of the procedures and protocols involved in this complex infertility treatment.

In addition—and perhaps most importantly—**MVED** provides a much-needed forum for emotional support among people who find themselves faced with the overwhelming and often difficult prospect of needing third-party help to conceive a child.

Over time, we began to be approached by traditional parents, single mothers, and fathers, as well as gay and lesbian couples who wanted to know where they fit into the arena of people who choose egg

donation. These individuals didn't feel like they had any means of receiving support, getting educated, or becoming empowered. They felt isolated.

Taking into account these concerns—as well as the realistic fact that **MVED**, while an important resource, is simply a group of people sharing anecdotal information in order to help one another—Marna decided to create an organization that would embrace every parent who had chosen egg donation to grow their family. And she took the idea a step further: this resource would be a global resource for unbiased, timely, and accurate information about egg donation, eliminating the need to search far and wide for piecemeal information and answers.

PVED was born.

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