We are interested to know how your child is doing after their initial hospital treatment. At around 2 years of age, your local BOOSTII Coordinator/Nurse will contact you to schedule a follow-up appointment for your child which will be conducted by a paediatrician and a psychologist free of charge. This is a wonderful opportunity to find out about the development and health of your child at 2 years of corrected age.

The status of your child’s health at 2 years will help to determine the answer to the question which lies at the heart of this study— which level of oxygen gives babies better outcomes?

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact your local BOOSTII Coordinator. Details are below:

To date 820 babies have been enrolled in BOOSTII in Australia & 335 babies in New Zealand.

Dear Parents,

Welcome to another BOOSTII parents newsletter. We hope that all families are doing well and looking forward to the festive season.

The BOOSTII study is going well. We have recruited over 3600 babies to the study worldwide. Several more hospitals joined the study in 2009, among them a hospital in Taiwan.

Quite a few of our BOOSTII babies in Australia have already turned 2 years of age and we are excited to follow their progress again at this stage. The BOOSTII study follows all children until they reach 2 years of age, plus the number of weeks they were born early (corrected age).

In 2010 we will continue recruitment to the trial as well as conduct more and more follow-up assessments (free of charge), so we expect it to be another busy year!

Thank you very much for continuing to be a part of this study. Please write if you’d like to share your thoughts or experiences with us in future newsletters.

Best wishes,

BOOSTII Study Team
1155 BABIES IN AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND AS OF 9th November 2009:
820 babies in Australia & 335 babies in New Zealand.

QLD — 135 babies from:
- Royal Brisbane and Women’s Hospital (38)
- Mater Mother’s Hospital (97)

WA — 186 babies from:
- King Edward Memorial Hospital

SA — 86 babies from:
- Flinders Medical Centre (34)
- Women’s and Children’s Hospital (52)

VIC — 104 babies from:
- Royal Women’s Hospital (102)
- Monash Medical Centre (2)

NSW — 268 babies from:
- Royal North Shore Hospital (43)
- Westmead Hospital (68)
- John Hunter Hospital (116)
- Liverpool Hospital (23)
- Royal Prince Alfred Hospital (18)

TAS — 17 babies from:
- Royal Hobart Hospital

ACT — 24 babies from:
- The Canberra Hospital

New Zealand — 335 babies from:
- Christchurch Women’s Hospital (67)
- Dunedin Hospital (38)
- Middlemore Hospital (56)
- Auckland Women’s Hospital (99)
- Wellington Women’s Hospital (75)

OTHER COUNTRIES INVOLVED ARE THE UK, USA, CANADA and Taiwan.