Q: What days are the KDVS Patient Advocacy Summit so I can plan my trip without missing anything?

A. Registration and Welcome Session begin late afternoon on Wednesday, July 19. There are two full days of programming on Thursday and Friday, July 20-21st. We will have an optional BYOBreakfast in the hotel lobby to meet up to say goodbye on Saturday, July 22nd, but otherwise you can head to one of the many parks in Orlando!

Q: Is there a discount to theme parks for KdVS Families?

A. Unfortunately, KDVS Foundation could not get discounted, group, or complimentary tickets for theme parks. However, if you plan to spend a few days at the parks, look into Orlando’s CityPass for discounted options. Be sure to make park reservations, as well!

Use this QR Code for more information about Disney parks:
Create an account and find out more information:
https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/plan/
You will need a “My Disney Experience” account to make park reservations. You can download the free app and will use it while in the parks. It has wait times for rides, maps, mobile ordering, Genie Plus, and where you can book any sit down meals.
Q: What parks are included as "Disney Parks?"

A. There are 4 parks in Walt Disney World Resort:
   ● Magic Kingdom - original park with Cinderella's castle, Thunder Mountain, Space Mountain rides, Main Street parade
   ● Epcot - international pavilions, lake with Spaceship Earth, and some rides. Two new rides are here - Guardians of the Galaxy and Remy's Ratatouille Adventure.
   ● Hollywood Studios - Frozen sing-a-long, Beauty and the Beast show, Star Wars, Toy Story Land, and Disney Jr. characters
   ● Animal Kingdom - a big safari park, safari ride, Avatar rides and Lion King & Finding Nemo shows

Q: How do I buy tickets to Disney?

A: You can use the QR Code to set up your account and purchase tickets and make reservations on the website. Ticket Prices vary around $140/day per person that week, but the price per day reduces the more days you stay. If you want to buy 3 or more days of tickets, you can reach out to Disney Travel Agent: Colleen Lucie (917) 756-4357 or email: collstravels@gmail.com She will take care of all park reservations for you as well. If there is enough interest Colleen will host a group zoom Q and A session to help you plan your visits.

Q: Do I need to make a reservation?

A. Yes, you do! If you plan on visiting a theme park, you need to buy a ticket to the park, but you need to also make a reservation to enter the park, as well. However, if you have a park hopper pass (which allows you to enter another park on the same day), you don't need to make a reservation for the second park you are hopping to. You can hop to the other park after 2pm. a reservation after 2 pm to enter.

Q: What is the DAS Disability Access Service pass and do I need that?

A. DAS passes are intended for guests who have a medical reason why they cannot wait in line. It gives you a set time to come back for a ride so you do not need to wait in an actual line with your Kool kid and up to 5 family members for a group of 6.
Q: How do I get a DAS pass?

A. Use this link or QR Code for more information on how to get one. You can pre-register up to 30 days in advance, (but not less than 2 days) with a Live Video call or you can wait until you get to the park and go to Guest Relations. We would recommend getting one in advance, to maximize your time in the park! During this conversation, if you are approved for a DAS pass, they will allow you to make a Genie Plus selection (like the old Fast Pass System.) It costs $15 per person per day and it allows you to book your rides all day on the app. We recommend using it because it maximizes your time in the park.

Q: My family has mobility challenges - What kind of disability access is available?

A: They actually do not give DAS for people in wheelchairs anymore! Some cases they may and it depends on the medical conditions of the person and why they are in the wheelchair. If it is just for mobility, most likely no.

Q. Any Special consideration for those with sensory challenges?

A. Every night at 9:00, there are fireworks at all parks. If your Kool kid is sensitive to loud noises, you may want to leave the park before the firework show or go indoors to avoid the noise.

Q. Where can I find other special needs information?

A. There are Facebook groups called “Tips for Special Needs at Disney” and “DAS Passes at Disney” for sharing tips, strategies, and ideas that have helped special needs families have magical trips to Disney.

Q. What is Disney Springs?

A. An outdoor mall with 102 stores, 67 dining options, 24 shows, attractions, events. https://www.disneysprings.com/
Q. What about SeaWorld Orlando?

A: [https://seaworld.com/orlando/](https://seaworld.com/orlando/)

If you are a registered guest of the Summit hotel Renaissance SeaWorld at Orlando, you will receive exclusive benefits such as: Priority entry at SeaWorld, 10% off dining at all SeaWorld Orlando parks, 10% off merchandise of $50 or more and 10% off Discovery photo package at Discovery Cove.

SeaWorld Orlando includes three parks:

- SeaWorld (Marine animal attractions, rides and Sesame Street Land)
- Discovery Cove (man-made beaches with lagoons, swim with dolphins, snorkel with fish)
- Aquatica water park

Q. What about Universal Studios?


Hollywood movies theme park resort includes:

- Universal Studios theme park (Wizarding World of Harry Potter - Diagon Alley, Transformers 3D, Minions)
- Islands of Adventure (Harry Potter- Hogsmeade, Hogwarts Express, Jurassic Park, Velocicoaster )
- Volcano Bay water theme park

Q. What is Universal Studios Orlando CityWalk?


Q. It’s really hot here! We want to cool off. What about Water Parks?

A: In addition to the splash pad and pool at Renaissance Orlando Hotel, there are two Disney water parks: Disney's Typhoon Lagoon and Blizzard Beach and SeaWorld's Aquatica and Universal Orlando's Volcano Bay.
Q: Is there shuttle service to the parks from the Renaissance Orlando at Seaworld Resort where the Summit is being held?

A: Yes. Shuttle service is available for hotel guests. Contact the front desk for more information and to secure your spot on the shuttle.

Q: Are there other activities we can do?

A. Yes! Just a few more ideas:

- **Selkie Adaptive Paddle** - Go paddle boarding with manatees! If you are extending your visit to Florida, you can go paddleboarding and see manatees in their natural habitat! About 2 ½ hours away from Orlando, in Boca Grande/Englewood, KdVS mom Sue Kabana owns and operates Selkie Adaptive Paddle [https://www.selkieadaptivepaddle.com/](https://www.selkieadaptivepaddle.com/) and her KdVS daughter Hayley is a tour guide and champion paddler. Sue is keeping herself available July 12th through July 17th and July 24th through July 28th for tours for KdVS families (and/or more than one KdVS family if they want to go together). She does not charge a fee, but will take donations. Morning tours are best, due to summer afternoon rain storms, and it's best to be flexible. Please call or text Sue 941-303-9758 to reserve a time.

- **Gatorland** - An animal park with alligators, bird and wild cats, reptiles, educational shows, and a zip line. [https://www.gatorland.com](https://www.gatorland.com) Located 30 min south of the Summit Hotel in Orlando.

- **LegoLand** - Theme park featuring rides and roller coasters, with play areas and Lego building zones [https://www.legoland.com/florida/](https://www.legoland.com/florida/)

- **Ripley’s Believe It or Not!** - In Orlando, Hundreds of rare and unusual artifacts and unbelievable hands-on interactive activities [https://www.ripleys.com/orlando/](https://www.ripleys.com/orlando/)
• Kennedy Space Center - about an hour away from Disney World, NASA exhibits, displays, memorabilia, IMAX theaters, and bus tours, home to space shuttle and rocket launches

• St. Augustine - about two hours way; first Spanish settlement and lays claim to being the oldest city in the US, Ponce de Leon's Fountain of Youth, lots of cool history