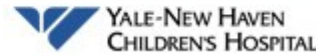


# NEWS Release



## **YNHCH will host Trike Fair for children with special-needs**

**New Haven, CT - May 13, 2009** - Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital's (YNHCH) and the Department of Rehabilitation Services will host a Trike Fair on Thursday, May 21, 2009. The fair will run from 5 - 7:30 pm in the parking lot of One Long Wharf Drive, New Haven, the site of the Pediatric Rehabilitation Services outpatient facility.

Families of children and youth with special-needs are invited to stop by and try out specially-adapted therapeutic tricycles. If therapists determine that your child could benefit from a therapeutic tricycle, he or she may be placed on a wish list to receive a free AmTryke® tricycle or place an order to purchase one.

Driven by hand and/or feet, therapeutic tricycles can improve strength, coordination and self-esteem for children and youth with disabilities, or with movement difficulties that prevent them from riding a typically-built tricycle or bicycle with their peers.

AmTryke® therapeutic tricycles are provided by AMBUCS™ Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to creating mobility and independence for people with disabilities.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the purchase of a therapeutic tricycle for a special-needs child may donate online at [www.ynhh.org](http://www.ynhh.org) and click on "donate to YNHH" at the top of the page or visit [www.AMBUCS.com](http://www.AMBUCS.com).

Questions about the Trike Fair may be directed to Christina Rao, pediatric physical therapist at (203) 688-7112 or [christina.rao@ynhh.org](mailto:christina.rao@ynhh.org)

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