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Owen Kramer, Berwick

At just 13 days old, Owen Kramer wasn't eating normally and seemed lethargic. His parents took him to Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, where emergency room staff found that Owen was in septic shock with respiratory failure and very low blood pressure.

Further testing revealed urosepsis and a urinary tract infection that was the result of a kidney abnormality. The staff also found a blood clot in his right femur that threatened his leg.

Owen spent 37 days in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at Geisinger Janet Weis Children's Hospital. There, round-the-clock care and intravenous antibiotics and medications helped him overcome the infections and blood clot.

Now, after having a procedure to correct the kidney abnormality, Owen is a happy and energetic 4-year-old who enjoys hanging out with his mom and dad and playing sports.

Much of the lifesaving equipment used to help Owen in the NICU was funded with donations to Children's Miracle Network at Geisinger, including pediatric ventilators, infusion pumps and bed warmers. Comfort items and chaplain services in the NICU, also funded with donations, helped Owen's parents through a difficult time.

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