

Right on Time

BRIAN FLOREK (M.D. 2015) and his wife, Jacinta, a pediatric social worker at C.S. Mott Children's Hospital, have strong ties to the U-M and to Ann Arbor. It's where they first met, and it's where they decided to start their family. It's also where their daughter, Sloane, made history at Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital: Born at 1:08 a.m. on Jan. 1, she was the hospital's first baby of 2015. Brian, who will complete his residency in ophthalmology at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, and Jacinta, pictured with 3-year-old Nolan and 6-month-old Sloane, might not have anticipated such an exceptional arrival, but they couldn't be happier.

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WHEN WE GOT THE DUE DATE, which was originally New Year's Eve, I was hoping that she be would the first. I said it jokingly, but then it became a real possibility. We watched the ball drop then headed right to the hospital. Even then, I didn't think we'd be the first of the year, but Sloane was ready.

The nurses did a great job helping us with the aftercare. They really go out of their way to take care of you, and the support from the university has been great. Everyone's willing to help you if you need anything, and that makes a big difference, especially when you're trying to juggle school and family life.”

—BRIAN FLOREK

