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NEUROFIBROMATOSIS AWARENESS MONTH

IMPACTS OF NEUROFIBROMATOSIS (NF)

The impact of NF can range from minimal to disabling or life-threatening. NF is caused by a single gene change but its impacts can be many. The size and location can significantly impact function.

1 IN 5

children with NF1 will develop a brain tumour

80%

of children with NF1 will have learning and behavioural difficulties

10-15

On average, lives of NF1 patients are cut short by 10-15 years

60%

For those with NF1, there is a 60% risk of developing cancer in their lifetime

25%

of children with NF1 will be diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder

1 IN 4

wait over 4 years for a diagnosis

90%

of people with NF2 will develop tumours on the hearing nerves

5x

women with NF1 are 5 x more likely to develop breast cancer

4x

the risk of suicide is 4x greater than the average population

5%

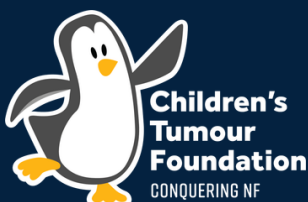
of people with NF1 experience bone dysplasia, which can impact eye sockets and leg bones

10%

of people with NF have scoliosis, compared to less than 2% of the general population

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