

About NF



NF refers to a group of complex genetic conditions that cause tumours to form on nerves in the body.

Every

3 DAYS

a child is born with
NF in Australia

Approximately

50%

have no family history
of the condition

More than

13,000

people are living with
NF in Australia

NF is a complex multi-system condition that can cause 20+ known physical complications, along with emotional, social and financial strain.

**NF impacts every part of a person's
quality of life.**

1 IN 5

children with NF1 will
develop a **brain
tumour**

80%

of children with NF1 will
have **learning and
behavioural difficulties**

10-15

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

60%

of those with NF1, have a
60% risk of developing
cancer in their lifetime

4 x

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

1 IN 4

wait over 4 years
for a **diagnosis**

25%

of children with NF1 will
be diagnosed with **Autism
Spectrum Disorder**

1 IN 4

experience **chronic
pain**

**Treatment options are
limited, and there is no cure.**