

ABOUT NEUROFIBROMATOSIS

Neurofibromatosis, or NF, is an under-recognised genetic disorder that causes tumours to grow on nerves throughout the body.

NF affects as many as 1 in every 2,500 people and affects millions worldwide.

NF can lead to a range of significant health issues including blindness, cancer, bone abnormalities, deafness, learning difficulties and disfigurement.

There is no known cure, treatment options are limited and for sufferers and their families, it is like living with a **"ticking time bomb"**.

Roughly half of all cases arise in families with no history of NF and **affects all populations** regardless of ethnicity or gender.

NF has three distinct forms, NF1, NF2, and Schwannomatosis.

It is **impossible to predict** how mildly or severely signs of NF will be expressed in each person who has it.

ABOUT THE CHILDREN'S TUMOUR FOUNDATION

The Children's Tumour Foundation of Australia (CTF) helps families navigate a pathway from fear to hope through empowerment. We do this by providing balanced information, connections to appropriate health services along with connections to each other. We will do whatever it takes, for as long as it takes until a cure for NF is found.

We focus on three key areas:



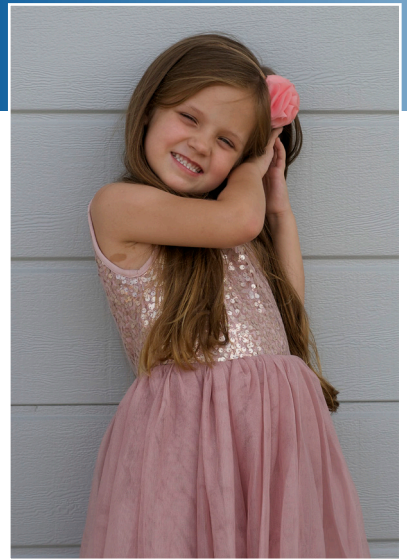
Providing Practical Support for Families



Funding Promising Research



Creating Awareness through Advocacy & Education



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CHILD IS BORN WITH
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