

Holoprocencephaly

Holoprosencephaly (HPE) (hol-o-pros-en-ceph-a-ly) is a birth anomaly in which the developing brain in very early pregnancy doesn't separate normally into separate left and right halves. This condition can also affect development of the head and face. Holoprosencephaly signs can include intellectual disability and problems with the brain's pituitary gland, which is a master control system for many hormones in the body. Holoprosencephaly can be caused by problems with genes, exposure of the mother to certain substances during pregnancy, or the cause can be unknown.

Resources for families

Northwest support resources

- Oregon Family to Family Health Information Center tinyurl.com/y8ed6er5
- Washington Parent to Parent (P2P)
 Programs
 tinyurl.com/yaucv2mk

National/international/online resources

- Fetal Health Foundation tinyurl.com/y8bc5g2h
- Carter Database tinyurl.com/y9ozo345

Family stories

- Teagan's Story tinyurl.com/yadge9er
- Families for HoPE tinyurl.com/y8yr5p5w

Clinical trial information

- Children and Clinical Studies tinyurl.com/y75s4twm
- Find an approved clinical trial tinyurl.com/zp3jesq

Insurance information and help

- Getting insurance for children (OR) tinyurl.com/ydfaaeoy
- Getting insurance for children (WA) tinyurl.com/yca9lkey
- Understand your health insurance tinyurl.com/ychy6qnz
- General/Oregon Health Plan Questions: 855-323-6744

Other resources

- My Face tinyurl.com/ybl49wh9
- Congenital Brain Anomalies Program
 OHSU [PDF]
 tinyurl.com/ya9n24sr
- Complex Child magazine complexchild.org

Books for parents and children

- Bibliography available by calling the Oregon Family to Family Health Information Center at 855-323-6744
- Swindells' online library search <u>tinyurl.com/y9t2jwcx</u>