

Diaphragmatic Hernia

Diaphragmatic Hernia (dī-ə-frə(g)-ˈma-tik hər-nē-ə) is a birth defect where there is a hole in the diaphragm (the large muscle that separates the chest from the abdomen). Organs in the abdomen (such as intestines, stomach, and liver) can move through the hole in the diaphragm and upwards into a baby's chest. When an organ pushes through the hole, it is called a hernia. A diaphragmatic hernia can prevent the baby's lungs from developing completely. This causes breathing difficulties for the baby at birth. To learn more about Diaphragmatic Hernia, go to the CDC website tinyurl.com/ycdlw5xk.

Resources for families

Northwest support resources

- Ladybug CDH Foundation tinyurl.com/y7vcgsru
- Oregon Family to Family Health Information Center tinyurl.com/ycwhffwc
- Washington Parent to Parent (P2P)
 Programs
 tinyurl.com/yaucv2mk

National/international/online resources

- Cherubs tinyurl.com/yau7ca2x
- Breath of Hope tinyurl.com/yanla232

Information for you and your care team

- Fact Sheet Children's Hospital of Philadelphia tinyurl.com/yda2htq6
- Prenatal Surgery for Diaphramatic Hernias - Children's Hospital of Philadelphia tinyurl.com/y7xc3djh

Family stories

- Patient Stories Children's Hospital of Philadelphia tinyurl.com/y7ruuhyn
- Orange Socks tinyurl.com/ycgxmwx5
- Bennet's Story tinyurl.com/y7qba2xv

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/y46h8nvx
- Learn about coverage tinyurl.com/y4639rz6
- Road map to health tinyurl.com/yysc6kv7
- General/Oregon Health Plan Questions: 855-323-6744

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 tinyurl.com/y9t2jwcx