



Interrupted Aortic Arch

Interrupted aortic arch is a rare congenital heart defect (the baby is born with it) that happens when a baby's aorta, the main blood vessel (tube) coming out of the heart to carry oxygen-rich blood to the whole body, doesn't develop correctly. In interrupted aortic arch, the part of the aorta that directs oxygen-rich blood to the lower part of the body does not connect to the heart. For more information about interrupted aortic arch, please visit Seattle Children's Hospital website [tinyurl.com/ycawgmtu](https://www.seattlechildrens.org/ycawgmtu).

Resources for families

Northwest support resources

- Children's Heart Foundation (OR)
tinyurl.com/ycklmhgr
- Pediatric Congenital Heart Assoc. (WA)
tinyurl.com/yba3yhlw
- Mended Little Hearts - Portland
[Facebook]
tinyurl.com/y9zskzll

National/international/online resources

- American Heart Association (AHA) Support Network for Congenital Heart Defects (CHD)
tinyurl.com/y5bxh3z3
- Mended Hearts
tinyurl.com/7wppot4
- Little Hearts - Parent Matching Program
tinyurl.com/y7wuh4yc
- Children's Heart Foundation (CHF)
tinyurl.com/ptkqdj
- Congenital Heart Info Network
[Facebook]
tinyurl.com/y8oxl67t

Information for you and your care team

- Cincinnati Children's Hospital Interrupted Aortic Arch
tinyurl.com/hex7ak7
- AHA - Fact sheets and other tools
tinyurl.com/kex96bk
- AHA - Portable medical information
[PDF]
tinyurl.com/ydye5u4s
- NIH Library of Medicine
tinyurl.com/aot8rx

Family stories

- AHA Family Stories
tinyurl.com/y8j578ny
- Little Hearts Stories of Hope
tinyurl.com/y8cze7em

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/ydfaaey
- 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

Other resources

- CHF - *It's My Heart* - free resource book
tinyurl.com/ybyp9goh
- Kids Health - *Getting an EKG* - video for kids
tinyurl.com/y9kfx7qq
- AAP - *What is a Pediatric Heart Surgeon?*
tinyurl.com/mqutvqr
- AHA Web Booklet - *If Your Child Has a Congenital Heart Defect*
tinyurl.com/ycgu5mzw
- Merry Heart Children's Camp
tinyurl.com/yaml6cma
- Summer camps for kids with CHD (outside OR)
tinyurl.com/y9awy2gy
- NIH - Miscellaneous tip sheets for children, teens and families
tinyurl.com/y86ofx4e
- CDC - Five Things you Need to Know about CHD [PDF]
tinyurl.com/yav6fn2

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