

**NF1** stands for neurofibromatosis type 1. About 1 child in every 2,500 children is born with NF1.



There are other types of NF called schwannomatosis, or **SWN**, such as **NF2-related schwannomatosis**, or **NF2-SWN**.



It doesn't matter if you're a boy or a girl, or what color your skin is, or where you're from. Anyone can be born with NF.



NF causes tumors to grow on nerves throughout the body.



Everyone is different, and we all learn in different ways. That's what makes our world unique!



The cause of NF is a change in a gene. When there is a change in one of the NF genes, it cannot do its job, which leads to NF.



Some people inherit NF from their parents, while other people are the first ones in their families to have NF.



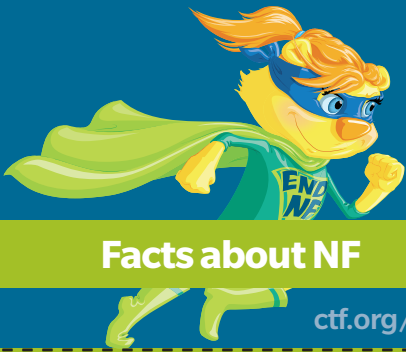
NF is not the result of anything a child's parents did, or didn't do.



NF is not contagious. That means no one can catch NF by being near or touching a person who has it.



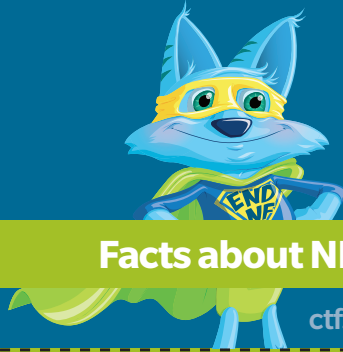
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