ABOUT NF

- NF refers to a group of genetic conditions that cause tumors to grow on nerves throughout the body.

- Some type of NF occurs in one in every 2,000 births and affects millions worldwide.

- NF can lead to blindness, deafness, bone abnormalities, disfigurement, learning disabilities, disabling pain, and cancer.

- NF affects all populations regardless of race, ethnicity, or gender.

- There are many types of NF, including neurofibromatosis type 1 (NFI) and all forms of schwannomatosis (SWN), including NF2-related schwannomatosis (NF2), formerly called neurofibromatosis type 2.

- Roughly half of all cases arise in families with no history of the condition.

- NF research is shedding new light on several forms of cancer, brain tumors, bone abnormalities, and learning disabilities, ultimately benefiting the broader community in addition to those with NF.

- Progress toward ending NF is being made every day. Because of the Children’s Tumor Foundation, there are many promising clinical trials in progress, NF clinics providing the best NF care, and treatment options approved or in development that will better the lives of all NF patients.

Help end NF by joining the confidential NF Registry. To learn more and participate, please visit nfregistry.org

For more information about all types of NF please visit www.ctf.org