Neurofibromatosis Medical Symposium

Saturday January 28, 2017
9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
The Gilman Auditorium

Please RSVP for this event by January 18 by calling 860.837.7506 or email at aspada@connecticutchildrens.org
This event is free

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Conklin Building, Ground Floor at 80 Seymour Street, between Connecticut Children’s and Hartford Hospital emergency entrance
Parking is across the street from Connecticut Children’s Emergency Department in the public parking garage.

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Neurofibromatosis (NF) refers to three individual genetic disorders known as NF1, NF2 and Schwannomatosis. The genetic disorder, NF1 is associated with the overgrowth of nerve cells, including cells in the brain, spinal cord and peripheral nerves. Possible problems seen with NF1 are learning disabilities, developmental delays, seizures, scoliosis, other skeletal defects, pain and hearing and visual problems. NF1 manifests with Café-Au-Lait spots, Neurofibromas and Plexiform Neurofibromas on the skin. The effects of NF1 vary greatly from person to person with the disorder and not everyone has all the signs and symptoms listed.

NF2 is associated with tumors of the vestibular nerves (hearing and balance), and tumors known as Meningiomas (on the brain coverings), which may or may not cause symptoms. NF2 can also cause cataracts and skin lesions.

Schwannomatosis causes benign tumors (Schwannomas) that can occur in any nerves throughout the body. These tumors commonly cause pain.