Become a Member

The Child Growth Foundation works to deliver outstanding support for families affected by growth conditions. It also funds research into the causes and treatments of growth conditions and it raises awareness and understanding of them among health professionals and the general public.

Part of the way we fund this work is through a membership scheme that provides further support and information. Membership to UK residents is just £25 per year and provides the following benefits:

- Contact with other families affected by growth conditions
- Our twice-yearly newsletter packed with news, details of events, research and fundraising, and information on the conditions we cover
- The opportunity to attend our fantastic annual convention
- Access to our members portal, that includes the ask a health professional section
- Be part of the CGF family and help us provide support to families

To join the Child Growth Foundation, please visit our website where an online application can be completed. Alternatively contact us and we will send you an application form.

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"since finding the CGF, it's like a weight has been lifted off our shoulders"



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About Growth

Growth is the most sensitive index of health in childhood. You only grow when you're a child and the major influence on your final height is genetic, so you may be short or tall simply because your parents are.

Most children, around 95%, grow perfectly normally. For the remaining 5% consistent, accurate and regular measuring and monitoring will help. There may be explanations for the irregular growth such as childhood illness.



In a rare number of children the reason may be due to an endocrine or genetic growth condition.

What Are Child Growth Conditions?

Growth conditions are rare disorders caused by problems with the genes or hormones involved in growth.

There are many different types of growth conditions and they can produce a great number of symptoms including: heart and kidney defects, learning difficulties, epilepsy and scoliosis.

The conditions are rare and medical understanding is limited. A life with a growth condition can be a difficult and lonely challenge for the children and families affected.



How The CGF Helps

The Child Growth Foundation has been delivering support to families affected by growth conditions for over 40 years. Each year we help around 1,500 families. We do this by:

> running a telephone and email helpline

> producing information sheets & guides

> virtual peer group support and our annual convention

> funding research to improve diagnosis and treatments

> raising awareness and understanding about the conditions

"It is such a valuable organisation, especially for parents of children that have just been diagnosed because it helps them to feel not so alone in their situation."



Annual Convention

The CGF Annual Convention is a weekend family event of information sharing and peer support and usually takes place in October each year.

The Convention enables members to learn about research updates, general management and treatment strategies from health professionals and spend time with other families going through the same thing. This peer support element is one of the most beneficial elements of the weekend.

The Convention is only open to members of the charity, but membership is just £25 per year

Facebook Groups

We maintain. and oversee a number of closed Facebook groups covering each of the conditions we support. These groups offer the peer support, so vital in helping those living with rare conditions. There are over 1,800 people in the groups providing a wealth of knowledge, suggestions and support.

Search Facebook for the groups or visit our website to find out more:

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