

What is DOWN SYNDROME?

Down Syndrome is a chromosomal disorder that occurs in approximately 1 in 700 births in Canada. Although it is not known for sure, it is possible that an error in cell division causes this extra chromosome. This extra chromosome material is present at conception, either from the father's sperm or the mother's egg, each of which contributes 23 chromosomes.

A person with Down Syndrome has 47 chromosomes in each cell instead of 46. It is important to know that nothing the mother does during pregnancy could cause this to happen.

Our children develop as other children, but it may be at a slower pace. As with all children it is difficult to predict the rate of individual development or ability. Current research indicates that a stimulating environment encourages development. With early intervention our children can decrease their delays, which will enable them to reach their full potential.

Newborns with Down syndrome look like babies who do not have Down syndrome. Babies and children with Down syndrome look like other members of their family.



London Down Syndrome Association

Ultimate Goal

'To Provide These and Future Services, Ideally at No Cost, to the Individuals and Families that Need them Most'

If you or anyone you know, would benefit from our Programs and Services, Please Contact Us!



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Mission Statement

*'To Enhance the Quality of Life
For All Individuals
Who have Down Syndrome'*

Motto

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Who & What is the LDSA?

Who Are We?

Established in 1983, as the Parent-to-Parent Support Group, what is now the London Down Syndrome Association was initiated by a group of parents who were attending the Child and Parent Research Institute's support group. At the head of the association is an Executive Committee, who directs the activities of the association with input from the membership as a whole. We are an association of people with Down Syndrome, their families and friends. But also we have in our numbers, several professionals, organizations and companies who are also interested in furthering our goals. Lastly, we are a group of dedicated volunteers who are passionate about accomplishing the goals of the association.



What do We Do?

The London Down Syndrome Association is first and foremost a not for profit, charitable organization.

From our modest beginnings, the LDSA has evolved into a structured and directed organization. A Constitution and By-Laws has been developed to ensure fair and equitable practices as well as making sure our goals are met. We pride ourselves in the fact that all funds generated are directed entirely into our programs and services.

LDSA PROGRAMS



Teen Nights

Tweens Club

Speech Therapy

Camp Talk About It

Bursaries

ScrapBooking Club

Annual Picnic

Christmas Party

Community Suite-JLC

Fundraising

LDSA SERVICES

New Parent Package

Support for
Family and Friends

Resource Library

Newsletter

Website

General Meetings

Awareness

Collaboration

