



NOONAN SYNDROME FACT SHEET

- Noonan Syndrome (NS) is a common genetic disease
- Approximately 80% of people with NS have heart defects
- NS has characteristic facial features such as widely spaced vivid blue/bue-green eyes with epicanthic eye folds and low posteriorly rotated ears
- Almost 95% of people with NS will have vision issues
- Approximately 70% of people with NS have short stature
- Approximately 70% of children with NS have speech delay
- The majority of children with NS have poor muscle tone and co-ordination
- 25% of children with NS have intellectual disabilities and 15% require special education
- Males with NS have reduced fertility
- Many people with NS have problems with bleeding (clotting defects) and bruising
- Some people with NS have hearing loss
- Some people with NS develop lymphatic issues
- People with NS may require cardiology, haematology, audiology, ophthalmologic, genetic, urological, speech therapy, physiotherapy and occupational therapy care
- Early intervention has been shown to reduce cognitive deficits in children by adulthood
- The NSAA works to increase awareness, early diagnosis and assist and empower people with NS to access services
- Visit www.noonansyndrome.com.au for more information

Noonan Syndrome affects as many as 1 in 1000 people

Noonan Syndrome is misdiagnosed or undiagnosed in almost 50% of cases

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Noonan Syndrome is linked with a higher rate of childhood cancers

People with Noonan Syndrome often require medical, educational and social supports
