

Childhood Cancer, the facts....

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Worldwide, a child is diagnosed every 2 minutes.
Every 2 minutes.

300,000

Globally, cancer is the leading cause of death by disease for children, with 300,000 new cases diagnosed each year.

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Childhood cancer is not just one disease — there are 16 major types and hundreds of subtypes.

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65% of survivors will have severe or life-threatening long-term conditions.

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In the last 30 years, only four new drugs have been approved that were specifically developed to treat children with cancer.

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The average age of diagnosis for childhood cancers is 6. The average age of death is 8.

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Because there are over 200 subtypes of childhood cancers, they are labeled as rare and “unprofitable” diseases.

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20% of children with cancer will never reach adulthood.

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Childhood cancers are largely ignored, receiving only 4% of government oncology research funding.

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The average years of life lost when a child dies of cancer is 71 years.

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The incidence of childhood cancer is on the rise, with an overall increase of 24% over the last 40 years.

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1 in 300 children will be diagnosed with cancer before they reach the age of 20.