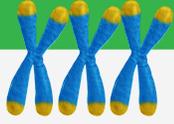




DID YOU KNOW?



3 COPIES OF THE 21ST CHROMOSOME

Down syndrome is the most common chromosomal condition. It occurs when a person has an extra 21st chromosome. The exact cause is still unknown.

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PERSON-FIRST LANGUAGE

A person with Down syndrome is a person first and should be referred to as a “student with Down syndrome” instead of a “DOWNS student”.



ONTARIO DOWN SYNDROME DAY

Bill 182, enacted in 2016 by the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, officially proclaims every March 21st as Ontario Down Syndrome Day (ODSD).

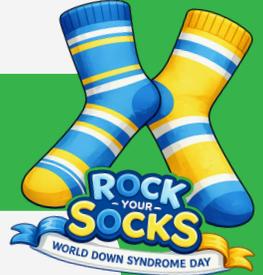
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A GENETIC CONDITION

Down syndrome occurs naturally in about 1 per 800 births, evenly among boys and girls, across all races and socio-economical classes.

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NAMED AFTER A DOCTOR

Down syndrome was named after the English doctor, John Langdon Down, who was the first to categorize the common features of this condition.

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GLOBAL DAY OF AWARENESS

World Down Syndrome Day (WSD), March 21st, is a global day of awareness, officially observed by the United Nations since 2012.

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