

WHAT IS..... DUCHENNE MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY?

Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) is the most common lethal genetic disorder diagnosed during childhood. It is a progressive muscle disorder that causes loss of muscle function and independence. TO THIS DAY..there is NO CURE.

DMD affects approximately 1 in 3,500 boys and each year, around 20,000 children worldwide are born with DMD.

Because the DMD gene is found on the "X" chromosome, the disorder manifests primarily in boys. It knows no boundaries. It affects all races and all cultures.

In 1986, the gene that causes Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy was successfully identified and isolated by medical researchers.

Although many cases are genetically inherited, approximately 35% of all DMD cases are the result of a new random spontaneous genetic mutation.

YOUR SUPPORT

To learn more about DMD or find information on how to donate go to www.parentprojectmd.org



COME JOIN US!!

Saturday, October 24, 2009
10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Flagpole Hill Park - Dallas
Northwest Hwy at Buckner

5th ANNUAL

SAM'S FAMILY FUN DAY

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SAM'S STORY



To his friends, Sam Killian is a fun-loving and outgoing little guy. He never met a stranger and will talk to you until your head spins. He loves to run and play - trying to keep up with his older brothers and sister, just like any seven year old. Most people would never be able to tell that Sam has Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, a degenerative disease that will cause the muscles throughout his body to break down over time. He is literally in a race against time, trying to keep his muscles from wasting away.

When Sam was diagnosed with DMD, in 2005, his family looked everywhere for an organization that could help them make sense of this disease and hopefully help find better treatments and eventually a cure - they found Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy (PPMD). PPMD was organized in 1994 by a group of parents with children with muscular dystrophy and is led by Pat Furlong. Pat's fight against DMD is motivated by her two boys, Christopher and Patrick,

who died from DMD in 1995. The organization is totally dedicated to Duchenne and has been a leader in funding research and lobbying lawmakers to dedicate resources to the fight against DMD.

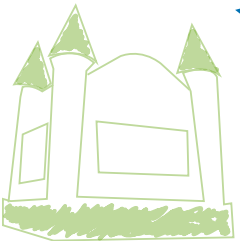
Sam's Family Fun Day was started as a way to help educate others about DMD, and to help raise funds to support PPMD's research mission.

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EVENTS

- ★ LUNCH & REFRESHMENTS
- ★ BALLOON ARTISTS & JUGGLERS
- ★ SLIDES & BOUNCE HOUSES
- ★ ROCK CLIMBING WALL
- ★ RACE CARS
- ★ TRAIN
- ★ MOBILE VIDEO GAMING
- ★ SPORTS COMPETITIONS
- ★ SILENT AUCTION
- ★ FACE PAINTERS & MAGICIANS



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Muscular Dystrophy**

LEADING THE FIGHT TO END DUCHENNE