

## AVAILABLE SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Individual evaluations of students with SMS at their schools
- Detailed, understandable, and practical staff training
- Objective and expert assistance to aid in the development of IEPs, behavior plans, residential and day programs
- Anticipatory health guidance
- Genetic counseling for families



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# Smith-Magenis Syndrome

## Consultative Services For Schools



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# GENETIC SERVICES AT ELWYN

## Your Source for Current and Practical Information About Smith-Magenis Syndrome

Smith-Magenis syndrome (SMS) is a genetic condition which was first described in the 1980's. Although SMS is probably not common, it is almost certainly under-diagnosed, and the number of people identified increases yearly. Individuals with SMS often pose extraordinary behavioral and educational challenges, yet few schools and agencies have expertise in working with this special population.

Elwyn is pleased to offer a comprehensive package of evaluation and training services to help you meet the needs of students with SMS. At Elwyn, we have extensive knowledge and expertise with this special population. We offer consultative services for individual students, as well as staff training to help schools address the complex needs of children and adolescents with the syndrome. Our staff travel throughout the US and Canada to provide on-site consultations at a child's school and / or home. Let us show you how Elwyn's expertise can make a lasting difference in the lives of students with SMS.

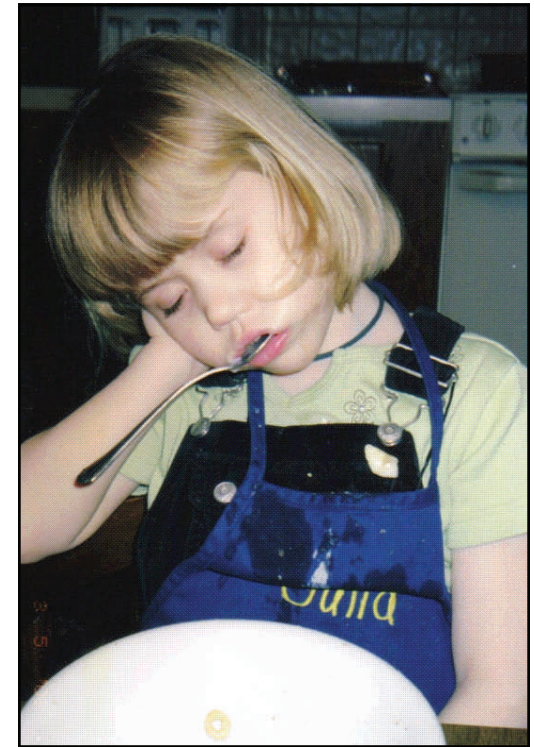
### Fast Facts About Smith-Magenis Syndrome

SMS is associated with a specific pattern of physical, developmental, and behavioral features, including:

- intellectual disabilities
- characteristic facial appearance
- hearing and vision problems
- sleep disturbance
- speech difficulties
- attention-seeking behavior
- self-injurious behaviors, particularly head-banging; skin and nail picking
- prolonged tantrums
- property destruction and aggression

Despite these challenges, students with SMS have much potential and often respond to specific educational and behavioral strategies designed to meet their special needs.

To learn more about SMS, visit  
**Parents and Researchers  
Interested in SMS**  
at [www.prisms.org](http://www.prisms.org)



Founded in 1852, Elwyn is a nonprofit corporation which has been providing services to people with special needs for over 150 years. Today, Elwyn is

nationally-recognized as a pioneer in developing groundbreaking programs for children and adults with disabilities and disadvantages. Our office of Genetic Services is a leader in genetics research and education, specializing in the practical implications of genetic disorders in people with developmental disabilities.

Visit us at [www.elwyngenetics.org](http://www.elwyngenetics.org) or call 610-891-2313 to learn more about our staff training and consultative services for students with SMS and other genetic conditions.