

AVAILABLE SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Individual evaluations of students with genetic conditions 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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Genetic Causes of Developmental Disabilities

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Your Source for Current and Practical Information About Genetic Causes of Developmental Disabilities

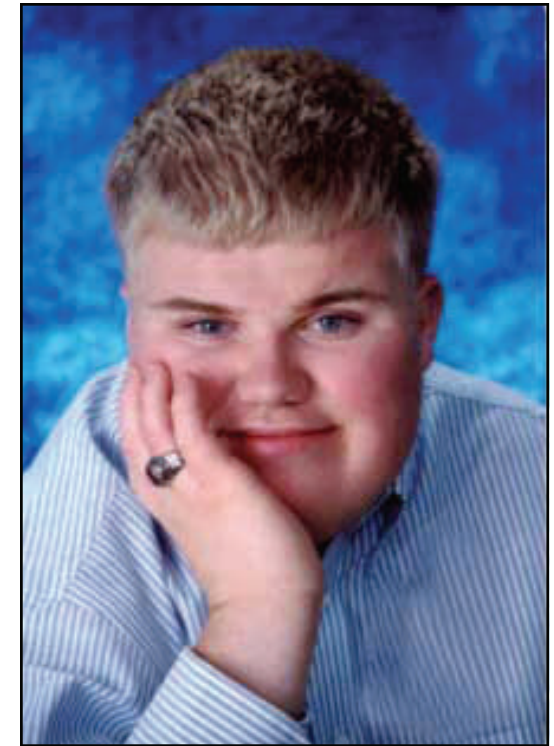
In recent years, it has become clear that genetic and other prenatal factors play a major role in causing developmental disabilities. Advances in genetic testing have allowed the accurate diagnosis of hundreds of genetic syndromes that are associated with cognitive and behavioral symptoms. Educators and other professionals working with special populations can benefit from information and training about the implications of these diagnoses for health, behavior, and learning.

At Elwyn, we have extensive experience with children and adults who have genetic causes of developmental disabilities, including Down, Williams, fragile X, Prader-Willi, Rett, Angelman, 22q11.2 deletion, Smith-Magenis, duplication 15q, and other recognizable syndromes. We offer consultative services for individual students, as well as staff training to help schools address the complex needs of students with specific diagnoses. 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 these students.

Fast Facts About the Genetic Causes of Developmental Disabilities

- ⇒ A syndrome is a recognizable pattern of physical, behavioral, and / or cognitive features that occur together due to a single underlying cause.
- ⇒ There are over 750 specific genetic conditions known to be associated with developmental disabilities.
- ⇒ Many genetic syndromes occur "out of the blue" in families with no prior history of learning or behavioral problems.
- ⇒ Most people with intellectual disabilities have never had a comprehensive genetic evaluation aimed at identifying an underlying cause.
- ⇒ The cost of diagnostic genetic testing is covered by most insurance plans, including state Medicaid programs.
- ⇒ Knowing the reason for a child's disability may help guide treatment and intervention, in addition to addressing families' concerns about the cause.

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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 or call 610-891-2313 to learn more about our staff training and consultative services for students with genetic causes of developmental disabilities.