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**Foundation for Prader-Willi
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Helping support the FPWR-UK

Prader-Willi syndrome (PWS) is a genetic disorder that occurs in approximately one out of every 15,000 births. PWS is recognised as the most common genetic cause of life-threatening childhood obesity but other issues may include developmental delay, psychiatric disorders, and autism spectrum disorders.

Is there a cure for Prader-Willi syndrome?

Currently, there is no cure for Prader-Willi syndrome, and most research to date has been targeted towards treating specific symptoms (see Diagnosis & Treatments). For many individuals affected by the disorder, the elimination of some of the most difficult aspects of the syndrome, such as the insatiable appetite and obesity, would represent a significant improvement in quality of life and the ability to live independently. The Foundation for Prader-Willi Research is interested in advancing research toward understanding and treating specific aspects of the syndrome, with the goal of an eventual cure for PWS.

Who is FPWR?

The Foundation for Prader-Willi Research (FPWR) was established in 2003 by a small group of parents who saw the need to foster research that would help their children with Prader-Willi syndrome lead more healthy and fulfilling lives. In 2010 a branch of FPWR was established in the UK. Today, FPWR is composed of hundreds of parents, family members, researchers, and others who are interested in addressing the many issues related to PWS.

The mission of FPWR is to eliminate the challenges of Prader-Willi syndrome through the advancement of research. High-quality research will lead to more effective treatments and an eventual cure for this disorder. By working together, we intend to free our loved ones from the burdens of PWS, allowing them to lead full and independent lives.

How The Foundation for Prader-Willi Research Operates

Under the guidance of our Scientific Advisory Board through a carefully managed grants process, FPWR selects research projects based on the collaborative input of researchers and parents, choosing projects that are both scientifically meritorious and highly relevant for individuals with PWS and their families.

Our Message

Researchers are working frantically to develop therapies in hopes of becoming the first to develop effective treatments for children and adults with PWS around the world. Our goal is to sponsor projects that focus that very research on PWS and to increase the likelihood that treatments will be developed for our children sooner rather than later.

Time is not our friend. As we see our children grow older, the challenges of PWS become more and more obvious. The things that could be overlooked in childhood create a wider gap between our children and their peers as they grow older. Our children have only one lifetime. Help us make that lifetime the best it can be.

Supporting FPWR-UK

If you are interesting in getting involved to help then please do get in touch on email to tim@fpwr.org.uk. This could include holding a fundraising event, subscribing monthly to 'Friends of FWPR-UK' or developing your own network of contacts as a regional sub-manager.