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IN SMA, NO ONE IS ALONE

Highlights from the 2020 Cure SMA Canada Conference



Last month, Cure SMA Canada held their national conference in Toronto from February 27–29. This conference provides an opportunity to learn about the latest and greatest news in SMA research, treatment and care, as well as a forum to connect with other people living with SMA.

Some highlights from this year's conference:

- Over 70 SMA patients, caregivers, families, and friends came from across Canada to Toronto from learn from each other and medical experts.
- Day 1: Information sessions focussed on the medical, research, and care advances Cure SMA Canada has achieved for all SMA patients.
- Day 2: Embracing the essence of the SMA community, a series of patient and family panels shared tips learned as children grow into adults and soon seniors, as well as the emotional experience living through an SMA diagnosis and treatment.

Visit the [Cure SMA Canada Facebook page](#) for more conference highlights.

See you at next year's conference in Montreal!

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HELP FOR TODAY, HOPE FOR TOMORROW

Cure SMA Canada is a community organization committed to connecting people and funding critical research in search of a cure for SMA. The group funds Canadian research projects and directly supports families living with SMA through:



Information & materials



Care packages



Equipment sharing



SMA camp

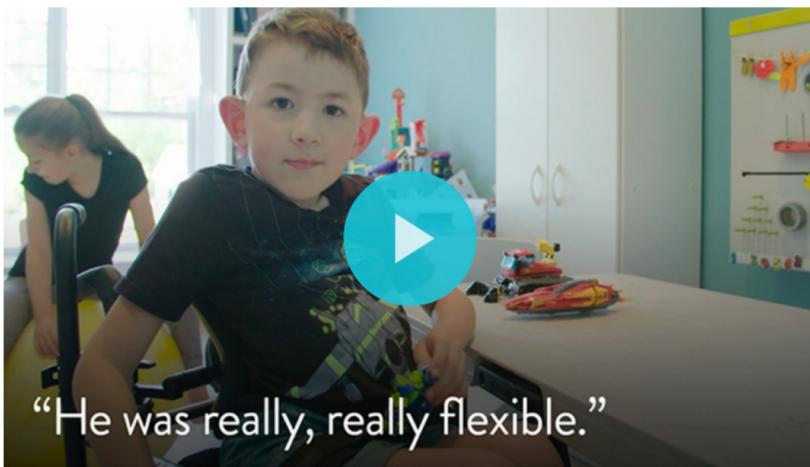


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STEPHANIE'S ADVICE: DON'T WAIT

Dominic was a pretty normal baby—loud, excitable, and by 8 months had learned to crawl. But Stephanie and Mathieu knew something was wrong. Despite doing her own research, Stephanie was surprised to hear it might be SMA.

Watch their story and learn about how important it is for parents to be the outspoken leaders of their child's care team before, during, and after diagnosis.



[WATCH DOMINIC'S STORY](#)

COVID-19: STAYING PREPARED DURING UNCERTAIN TIMES

These times are challenging, and we are all continuously learning how to best navigate them. TOGETHER IN SMA™ recommends that all families follow the guidance provided by health authorities to help reduce the spread of infection and protect vulnerable people such as those with SMA.

For families with children with complex medical needs, additional precautions and planning may help you keep safe and maintain your routine as best as you can. **Muscular Dystrophy Canada** has provided helpful guidance on how to prevent infections and avoid disruptions in care.

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