



### **What is CHERUBS?**

No one knows what life is like with a child born with CDH like the other parents who have walked this path. It is a very emotional, stressful, and physically demanding time. Just knowing you are not alone can make all the difference in the world. CHERUBS was founded so that no family has to go down this path alone.

### **Our Organization**

CHERUBS is an international organization for families and care-givers of children and adults who are diagnosed with Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH). As of November, 2008, we have over 2600 Members in all 50 states and 38 countries. Our Board Members include the founding father of in-utero surgery, genetic counselors, epidemiologists, nurse practitioners, parents of CDH survivors and non-survivors, and some of the best pediatric surgeons in the world. We are a volunteer-run organization and a United States Internal Revenue Service recognized 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization.

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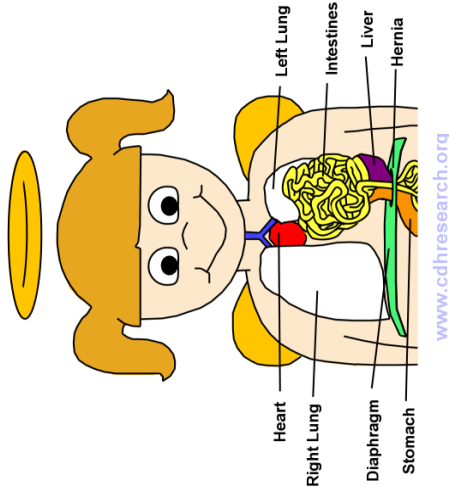
*The Association of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia  
Research Awareness, and Support*

## Candy Sale



Over 1600 babies are born each year in the United States with C.D.H. 50% of these babies do not survive. 50% win the CDH war but many still fight battles. Help us to fight this war against Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia.

## Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia



### **What is CDH?**

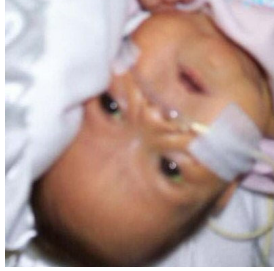
Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDH) occurs in approximately 1 in every 2,500 births (1,600 cases in the U.S. each year). The cause of CDH is not yet known. The diaphragm is formed in the first trimester of pregnancy and controls the lungs' ability to inhale and exhale. CDH occurs when the diaphragm fails to form or to close totally and an opening allows abdominal organs into the chest cavity. This inhibits lung growth.

Every patient diagnosed with CDH is different. Survival rates depend on the types and number of organs involved in the herniation and the amount of lung tissue available. There are many surgical procedures and complications that may or may not occur with each individual, including in utero surgery.

Roughly 50% of babies born with CDH do not survive. Of the 50% that do survive, most will endure long hospital stays, feeding issues, asthma and other problems. A few of the survivors suffer from severe long-term medical issues.

CDH occurs as frequently as Spina Bifida and Cystic Fibrosis, yet there is very little research being done and virtually no media coverage.

## Candy Sale Fundraiser



**This is an easy and FUN way to raise CDH Awareness and to fundraise for CHERUBS!**

**Type of Event / Fundraiser:** Candy Sales

**About the Event:** Sell candy to your friends, family, neighbors, school, church or others.

**Items Needed:** Candy bars, large lollipops or other types of large candy. Costco and Sam's Club sells them in large fundraising bulk.

**Media Needed:** You can ask your school paper, local paper or community newsletter to write about the fundraiser.

**What is Tax Deductible:** All purchases over the cost are tax-deductible. For example, if you bought the candy bar for 50 cents and sold it for \$1.00, then 50 cents is deductible (because they are getting an item in exchange for the other 50 cents).

**How Do I Set A Date:** Set a beginning and ending date allowing a few weeks to sell.

**Who Can Participate:** Anyone!

**Do I Need Permission:** Yes, if you intend to sell them at a school or business make to ask permission from the principal or business owner first.

**How Do I Advertise:** Tell friends, Family and neighbors. If you know a business owner see if they are willing to help.

**What I Do I After The Event: Send** CHERUBS the final amount raised, after you deduct your cost of the candy bars. Send CHERUBS your receipts. You can mail it in or send it in on-line.

**What Else Do I Need To Do:** Take photos for CHERUBS newsletter and web site.

*As with all fundraisers and events, ALWAYS make sure to follow all local, state and federal laws and always be safe!*



**CHERUBS On The Web**  
<http://www.cdhsupport.org>

**Donate On-Line**  
<http://www.cdhdonations.org>