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"FUNDACIÓ CATALANA SÍNDROME DE DOWN"

About us

Fundació Catalana Síndrome de Down is a non-profit private organization founded on March 30th, 1984 and declared to be of public utility on October 24 of that year.

Our mission

To improve quality of life for people with Down syndrome or other intellectual disabilities, enabling their full inclusion in society as well as their attainment of well-being, self-determination, personal development, respect and dignity at the highest levels.

Our vision

A world in which people with disabilities participate fully in society on equal terms with everyone else.

Objective

- To set up, expand and improve any services deemed necessary in order to address known and emerging needs.
- To serve as a standing body for biomedical, psychological, educational and social research, study and training.
- To implement other activities related to the two above objectives in order to meet the social, personal and family needs of people with disabilities.

SERVICES AND PROGRAMS



Since 1984, to provide support from pre-natal diagnosis and birth until adult age. Its services and programs are directed towards persona with DS or other intellectual disabilities.

PSYCHO-PEDAGOGICAL

CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EARLY INTERVENTION (CDIAP)

Consultation, diagnosis and treatment of infants from birth to age 6 whose development is delayed or at risk.

ADULT EDUCATION SERVICE

Courses and workshops offered to adults, to give them continuity in training.

JOB INTEGRATION SERVICE

Integration into the normal labour market through guidance, training, searching for companies and their monitoring.

THERAPEUTIC ATTENTION SERVICE

Diagnosis, treatment and advice in mental health problems, speech therapy and physiotherapy. Psychological support and treatment for families.

SCHOOL SUPPORT AND MONITORING SERVICE

Intervention in groups of school-age children with Down syndrome to assist learning, communication, relationships and identity in order to facilitate inclusion.

LEISURE AND PARTICIPATION "LET'S MEET"

Developing skills to organize and enjoy free time by planning and developing leisure and holiday activities.

INDEPENDENT LIVING SUPPORT SERVICE "I'M GOING HOME"

Personal support to allow each individual to decide where and with whom they want to live.

ATTENTION TO FAMILIES

Aimed at families to promote welfare and quality of life through guidance and information about our own resources or external ones, and encourage other activites and support programmes.

SERVICES AND PROGRAMS



ADVICE, CONSULTATION AND INFORMATION

To deal with psychopedagogical, medical and legal issues.

SELF-ADVOCACY

Improving the skills of empowerment of people with intellectual disabilities to **defend their rights**, represent the groups and make their voice heard in the media and in society.

PUBLICATIONS

- International Medical Review on Down Syndrome (quarterly).
- Original books and translations of books.
- Production of audiovisual material.

BEGOÑA RAVENTÓS DATA CENTRE

Open access centre with books and audio-visual resources on intellectual disabilities, especially Down Syndrome.

DOWN MEDICAL CENTER

Since 1987, preventive medicine → formed by 15 different medical specialists and 5 (neuro)psychologists.

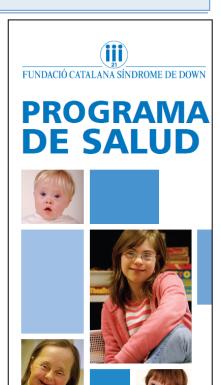
2012: Down Syndrome and Alzheimer Disease Unit.

TRAINING AND RESEARCH UNIT

- Biannual International Conferences
- Seminars, courses and lectures for parents, professionals and people with intellectual disabilities
- Awards for students and professionals.

Some of our research in progress:

- Autism Spectrum Disorder in people with Down Syndrome.
- Incidence of Alzheimer's disease in Down syndrome individuals
- Alzheimer's disease in Down syndrome individuals: multimodal cerebral spinal fluid, MRI and PET amyloid.



Over the past year (2014)...



Advice, consultation and information



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people and their families

Medical Centre

Courses /
Conferences





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and / or mental illness

Disabled users according to their etiologic profile



We conducted



Neuropsychology Child Neurology Neurology Clinical child psychology

In collaboration with



Hospital Sant Joan de Déu Hospital de la Santa Creu i Sant Pau Hospital del Mar

Financial information

