

NEURODIVERSED QUICK FACTS:

CEREBRAL PALSY



WHAT IS CEREBRAL PALSY?

Cerebral Palsy is a **developmental disorder**, meaning it is present at birth. It effects a person's **motor** skills (movement) and sometimes their **speech**.

DIFFERENT TYPES

Spastic- Causes increased muscle tone and stiffness.

Dyskenetic- Uncontrollable movement of hands, feet, arms and legs.

Ataxic- Difficulties with balance and depth perception.

DIFFERENT ABILITIES

Did you know that **not every person with CP uses a wheelchair**? Every person with CP has **different ways of getting around**. Some use a wheelchair, some a walker, some need no aids.

SPEECH DIFFERENCES

Some people with CP **speak in a way that sounds different or at a slower pace**. It is important to give them time to communicate and ask questions when you do not understand. Do not talk down to them!