

We are Trisomy Strong

#trisomyawareness

WHAT IS TRISOMY?

A trisomy is the presence of a single extra chromosome in any one of an individual's 23 pairs of chromosomes. This can result in a full trisomy (an extra chromosome in every cell), mosaic trisomy (an extra chromosome in some cells), or partial trisomy (part of an extra chromosome in every cell).



SPECIAL TRISOMY DAYS:

9th is Trisomy 9 Awareness Day

13th is Trisomy 13 (Patau Syndrome) Awareness Day

18th is Trisomy 18 (Edwards Syndrome) Awareness Day

21st is Trisomy 21 (Down Syndrome) Awareness Day



EXTRA CHROMOSOME ≠ FATAL DISEASE!

A study, from researchers at Stanford and the University of Arkansas, has found that infants with the genetic disorders Trisomy 13 or 18 are more likely to survive, if they undergo early heart-repair surgery. In fact, as many as 50% are still alive 16 YEARS after surgery.

"Eugenics tells us we create a better race of people by eliminating those with disabilities. However, we actually create a better race of people by enabling those with disabilities to live full lives."