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ALL ABOUT DOWN SYNDROME

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DOWN SYNDROME OCCURS

WHEN AN

INDIVIDUAL HAS

A FULL OR

PARTIAL EXTRA

COPY OF CHROMOSOME 21

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THERE ARE THREE
DIFFERENT

TYPES OF DOWN SYNDROME:
COMPLETE TRISOMY 21,
MOAIC TRISOMY 21 AND
TRANSLOCATION TRISOMY 21

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YOU CAN'T HAVE MILD
OR SEVERE DOWN SYNDROME.
YOU EITHER HAVE IT OR YOU DON'T.

ABILITY
IS NOT DEPENDENT ON
THE CONDITION BUT RATHER
THE INDIVIDUAL.

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INSTEAD OF "A DOWN
SYNDROME CHILD" IT
SHOULD BE "A CHILD
WITH DOWN SYNDROME".
PEOPLE-FIRST
LANGUAGE PUTS THE
PERSON BEFORE
THE DIAGNOSIS.

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PEOPLE WITH
DOWN SYNDROME
HAVE AN
INCREASED
RISK FOR CERTAIN
MEDICAL
CONDITIONS

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ADULTS WITH DOWN
SYNDROME ATTEND WORK,
RUN THEIR OWN BUSINESSES,
PARTICIPATE IN DECISIONS
THAT AFFECT THEM,
HAVE MEANINGFUL
RELATIONSHIPS
AND CONTRIBUTE TO SOCIETY.

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PEOPLE WITH DOWN
SYNDROME
LOOK LIKE
THEIR
FAMILY MORE
THAN ANYONE ELSE

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MOST ADULTS
WITH DOWN SYNDROME
ARE AWARE THEY HAVE
DOWN SYNDROME.

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INDIVIDUALS
WITH DOWN
SYNDROME ARE
BEAUTIFUL,
INSIDE AND OUT.

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99% OF PEOPLE WITH
DOWN SYNDROME
SAY THEY ARE HAPPY
WITH THEIR LIVES

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PEOPLE WITH
DOWN SYNDROME
ARE NOT
ALWAYS HAPPY!

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AS A PARENT TO A CHILD
WITH DOWN SYNDROME,
YOU WILL MEET
THE MOST
REMARKABLE PEOPLE
AND NAVIGATE THIS
JOURNEY TOGETHER.

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THE LIKELIHOOD OF
HAVING A CHILD WITH
DOWN SYNDROME
INCREASES
WITH MATERNAL AGE

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ONE IN EVERY 700
BABIES BORN IN THE
UNITED STATES HAS
DOWN SYNDROME

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80% OF
BABIES WITH
DOWN SYNDROME ARE
BORN TO WOMEN
YOUNGER
THAN 35 YEARS
OF AGE

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DON'T USE
THE R-WORD.
EVER.

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AVERAGE LIFE
EXPECTANCY
OF INDIVIDUALS
WITH DOWN SYNDROME
HAS MORE THAN
DOUBLED IN
THE LAST 40 YEARS

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APPROXIMATELY 50%
OF ADULTS WITH DOWN
SYNDROME EXPERIENCE
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE,
WITH SYMPTOMS
BEGINNING
IN THEIR 50S OR 60S

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LOW MUSCLE TONE
IS COMMON IN INDIVIDUALS
WITH DOWN SYNDROME,
WHICH CAN AFFECT POSTURAL
CONTROL AND STABILITY,
MOBILITY, BREATHING,
EATING AND SPEECH.

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ABOUT 50%
OF PEOPLE WITH
DOWN SYNDROME
HAVE A SINGLE
CREASE ON THEIR PALM

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CHILDREN WITH DOWN
SYNDROME GO THROUGH ALL
THE SAME MILESTONES AS
TYPICALLY DEVELOPING CHILDREN,
IT JUST MAY TAKE THEM
A LITTLE LONGER TO
ACHIEVE THOSE MILESTONES

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DOWN SYNDROME
IS NOT ...
A BURDEN,
AN AFFLICTION,
A DISEASE,
A PROBLEM,
OR AN ERROR

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WHEN EXPECTANT
OR NEW PARENTS
SHARE THAT
THEIR BABY HAS
DOWN SYNDROME,
DO NOT SAY
"I'M SORRY"

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EACH CHILD WITH DOWN
SYNDROME LEARNS IN
A DIFFERENT WAY AND
AT A DIFFERENT PACE - IT IS UP
TO US -- PARENTS,
EDUCATORS, THERAPISTS,
AND FRIENDS --
TO IDENTIFY HOW THEY LEARN
AND HELP UNLOCK
THEIR POTENTIAL

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CHILDREN WITH DOWN
SYNDROME HAVE ANATOMICAL
AND PHYSIOLOGICAL
DIFFERENCES IN THEIR
MOUTH AND THROAT THAT
CAN AFFECT FEEDING,
DRINKING AND SPEECH.
SPEECH THERAPY CAN
BEGIN IN INFANCY
AND HELP WITH ORAL MOTOR SKILLS.

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79% OF PARENTS
TO A CHILD WITH
DOWN SYNDROME
FEEL THEIR
OUTLOOK ON LIFE
IS MORE POSITIVE
BECAUSE OF
THEIR CHILD

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IN 2011 IN THE USA,
ESTIMATES SHOW
32% FEWER
BABIES WITH
DOWN SYNDROME
THAN COULD HAVE
BEEN BORN DUE
TO ELECTIVE
TERMINATIONS

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WE LEAD AN
ORDINARY
LIFE FILLED
WITH
EXTRAORDINARY
MOMENTS

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INCLUSIVE
CLASSROOMS
BENEFIT
ALL
KIDS

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PHYSICAL AND
OCCUPATIONAL
THERAPIES ARE USED
TO PROMOTE THE GREATEST
POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT,
INDEPENDENCE AND
PRODUCTIVITY IN
INDIVIDUALS WITH
DOWN SYNDROME

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IF YOU DON'T PERSONALLY
KNOW SOMEONE WITH DOWN
SYNDROME - STOP
WHAT YOU ARE
DOING AND FIGURE OUT HOW
TO CHANGE THAT -- YOU ARE
MISSING OUT ON
TRUE AWESOMENESS