
Heart Kids

Heart Kids is the only organisation in New Zealand dedicated to providing lifelong care and support for children, young people and families impacted by childhood heart defects (CHD).

We have been here for over 30 years, walking alongside families whose worlds have been turned upside down by the news of their child's heart defect or by learning that their child has acquired childhood heart disease through an illness such as Rheumatic Fever or Kawasaki disease.

Supporting heart kids through life

You are not alone. 12 babies a week are born in NZ with a congenital heart defect - that's one in every 100 births. Heart Kids is here for you and your family right from the start.

Each year, 600 families have a newborn heart child enter their lives. No matter how you say it, the fact is that CHD is the most common serious birth abnormality in New Zealand.

Every day a child undergoes surgery at Starship Hospital's Paediatric Cardiac Ward, and new parents face the prospect of caring for a chronically ill child.

Families facing this huge challenge need support. They need someone nearby who can listen and offer practical advice and share information, and they need to know they are not alone.



Membership and support across NZ

Heart Kids is here for everyone affected by CHD. By joining Heart Kids, you will receive essential support and helpful resources. Most importantly, you will never have to face the challenges of your child's heart journey alone.

Join Heart Kids today for access to resources and information, support from our Family Support Workers both in the hospital and in your local area, opportunities for your heart kid to come to specialised camps and events and connections with other families facing similar challenges.

Join Heart Kids today to receive:

- Access to information and resources, including books and publications written by parents and medical professionals
- Direct practical, emotional and social support from a team of Family Support Workers, through face-to-face home visits and phone calls
- Pre-natal support for expectant parents facing big changes, challenges and decisions
- Help to build support networks and resilience
- Connections with other service providers in local regions
- Connections to other CHD families
- Access to CPR training
- Access to CoaguChek machines and MedicAlert bracelets for children who need them
- Access to camps for heart kids
- Free lifelong membership

*NB: all services provided are subject to the availability of funds



Join Heart Kids

PART A: Heart Child/Teen/Adult's Details

First Name(s):
Last Name:
Heart Condition:
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Date of Birth: / / Gender: Male / Female
Ethnic Group (optional):

PART B: Parent/Caregiver/Heart Adult Details

Parent/Caregiver (1)

First Name(s):
Last Name:
Mr Mrs Ms Other:
Relationship to Heart Child/Teen:
Home Address:
.....
Postcode:
Home Phone: Mobile:
E-Mail:

Parent/Caregiver (2)

First Name(s):
Last Name:
Mr Mrs Ms Other:
Relationship to Heart Child/Teen:
Home Address:
.....
Postcode:
Home Phone: Mobile:
E-Mail:



PART D: Personal Privacy and Communication

The personal information collected in this form will be held by Heart Kids and may be used by us and any of our affiliated branches for the purpose of administering your membership and providing you with information about us. Your information is confidential and will not share it with anyone else without your prior consent. You may, at any time, access and amend any of the personal information we hold about you.

Heart Kids uses email to share relevant resources and newsletters with our Heart Kids families, as well as sending information about upcoming events and fundraising opportunities. We will only send this to you if you wish to receive it.

I wish to receive emails from Heart Kids

Yes No

PART E: Declaration

All the information given on this form is true and correct, and I agree to abide by Heart Kids New Zealand's constitution and related policies.

Name:

Signature:

Date:

When complete, please give this form to your Family Support Worker; post to Heart Kids, PO Box 108-034, Symonds Street, Auckland 1150; or scan and email to familysupport@heartnz.org.nz.

Office use only

ID Code:

Entered by:

Date: / /

Branch:



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Membership



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Membership and support for all families facing the challenges of childhood heart defects (CHD).