

RADIO ROUNDUP

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CHILDREN'S HEALTH UPDATE

THERE MAY BE A RARE GENETIC DISORDER IN YOUR FAMILY YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW ABOUT. THE CONDITION IS CALLED HYPOHIDROTIC ECTODERMAL DYSPLASIA, OR H-E-D. COMMON SYMPTOMS INCLUDE A REDUCED ABILITY TO SWEAT DUE TO FEW OR ABSENT SWEAT GLANDS, MISSING OR POINTED TEETH, SPARSE HAIR, AND DRIER MUCOUS IN THE NOSE AND MOUTH. IT'S ESTIMATED AT LEAST ONE IN FIVE THOUSAND TO TEN THOUSAND NEWBORNS HAVE H-E-D. SEVENTY-FIVE TO EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF BOYS WITH H-E-D HAVE THE X-LINKED RECESSIVE FORM CALLED X-L-H-E-D. THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT A GENETIC COUNSELOR CAN HELP FAMILIES GAIN A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CONDITION, THEIR FAMILY HISTORY, TEST RESULTS, CLINICAL TRIAL OPPORTUNITIES AND POTENTIAL TREATMENT OPTIONS. FREE GENETIC COUNSELING IS NOW AVAILABLE TO FAMILIES THAT HAVE OR SUSPECT THEY HAVE X-L-H-E-D. IT'S PHONE-BASED, CONFIDENTIAL AND FUNDED BY EDIMER PHARMACEUTICALS. FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THESE SERVICES, CALL (6-1-7) 7-5-8--4-3-0-0. TO LEARN MORE, VISIT N-F-E-D--DOT--ORG AND X-L-H-E-D-NETWORK--DOT--COM.