



Gastroschisis

Gastroschisis (ga-'sträs-kə-səs) is a birth anomaly of the abdominal (belly) wall. There is a hole in the muscle and skin next to the belly button. The baby's intestines come out through this hole. The hole can be small or large and other organs, such as the stomach and liver, can also be found outside of the baby's body. Gastroschisis occurs early during pregnancy when the muscles that make up the baby's abdominal wall do not form correctly. To learn more about Gastroschisis, go to the CDC website tinyurl.com/lfb7rm8.

Resources for families

Northwest support resources

- Oregon Family to Family Health Information Center
tinyurl.com/ycwhffwc
- Washington Parent to Parent (P2P) Programs
tinyurl.com/yaucv2mk

National/international/online resources

- Avery's Angels
tinyurl.com/ya9wfu25
- Avery's Angels [Facebook]
tinyurl.com/y8ky9t7t
- Baby Center
tinyurl.com/y7zmpffk

Information for you and your care team

- Cincinnati Children's Hospital Gastroschisis in Babies
tinyurl.com/ybtazwt2
- Children's Hospital of Minnesota Gastroschisis Education Materials
tinyurl.com/y8dwa4o8

Family stories

- Stories: Living with Gastroschisis - CDC
tinyurl.com/y8jervt7
- Emma's Story - Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
tinyurl.com/y7g7e2h8
- Vincenzo's Story - Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
tinyurl.com/yajmzdh4

Clinical trial information

- Children and Clinical Studies
tinyurl.com/y75s4twm
- Find an approved clinical trial
tinyurl.com/zp3jesq

Insurance information and help

- Getting insurance for children (OR)
tinyurl.com/ydfaaeoy
- Getting insurance for children (WA)
tinyurl.com/yca9lkey
- Understand your health insurance
tinyurl.com/y46h8nvx
- Learn about coverage
tinyurl.com/y4639rz6
- Road map to health
tinyurl.com/yysc6kv7
- General/Oregon Health Plan Questions: 855-323-6744

Books for parents and children

- Bibliography available by calling the Oregon Family to Family Health Information Center at 855-323-6744
- Swindells' online library search
tinyurl.com/y9t2jwcx