COVID-19 Updates

Click here to continue to find current information about the pandemic at the SADS Foundation COVID-19 Updates for SADS Conditions Resource Page.

SADS Foundation Welcomes New Summer Intern

SADS Foundation is thrilled to have Sophie Thatcher volunteer this summer as the Communications and Awareness Intern. She just completed her freshman year at Virginia Tech. Read Sophie’s Story on the SADS Blog.

Be a Part of the 2020 SADS Yearbook!

We want to celebrate your grad! Whether it be high school, college or 4th grade your graduate should be recognized. The SADS Foundation would like to help you honor your class of 2020 with an online photo gallery and a feature on our eNews you can share with your family and friends. Check out our current grads right HERE.
Join the above graduates by sending a photo of with the name of the graduate, name of the school, major (college grads), and a few words about their next phase (college, trade school, military, or gap year). Send the above information to erin@sads.org.

National CPR and AED Awareness Week

Each year, June 1-7 is CPR and AED Awareness Week, highlighting how lives can be saved when everyone knows how to perform CPR and use an AED. Sudden cardiac death in children and adults with SADS conditions can be prevented if CPR and AEDs are used in time. It’s important to understand what YOU can do to save lives!

You can **triple** a victim’s chance of survival when you take these immediate lifesaving actions:

**CALL • PUSH • SHOCK**

1. Call 9-1-1  
2. Start CPR  
3. Use an AED

CPR AND AED AWARENESS WEEK
June 1-7, 2020

**Share Your Story**
Throughout next week, we will be sharing valuable information regarding CPR and AEDs, as well as patient stories of when CPR/AEDs have saved lives. If you would like to share your story to be featured on the SADS blog as well as social media, email SADSblog@sads.org along with your name, age, and SADS condition. We want to emphasize that these lifesaving skills truly help our community!

Make sure to check our website regularly for resources and updates for CPR and AED
Coming Soon! SADS Improv Night!

If you haven't been lucky enough to attend one of our conferences and experience the Cherub Improv performances, then your luck has just changed!

Cherub Improv members will bring a night of laughter for SADS families on Zoom. Just click here to register in advance to share in the fun!!

Special Guest Dr. Mike Ackerman will be in attendance as well as Surprise Guests!

Be a part of the SADS Foundation expanding online to keep SADS families connected!

♥ COVID-19 Resource Page
♥ Weekly FB Live Events with Dr. Ackerman and SADS experts
♥ International Heart-to-Heart Zoom Chats
♥ Weekly Kids and Teens Zoom Chats and Game Nights

Click here to help us to maintain our critical services during the COVID crisis!!

SADS Foundation Webinar
Dan Roden, MD & Dianalee McKnight, PhD - June 11 @ 6 pm ET

Originally scheduled as a dinner presentation at HRS, Dan Roden, MD, will present this free webinar on Big Data Approaches to Evaluating the Variant of Uncertain Significance (VUS). Dr. Roden is Professor of Medicine, Pharmacology, and Biomedical Informatics and Senior Vice-President for Personalized Medicine at Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, Tenn.

Following Dr. Roden, Dianalee McKnight, PhD, FACMG, Medical Affairs Director, Emerging Clinical Omics, Invitae, will present Reducing VUS Through Functional Modeling and Artificial Intelligence in Cardiovascular Genetic Testing.

Click here to register.

This webinar is supported by an educational grant from Invitae to SADS Foundation.
Action Alert: Let's End Surprise Medical Billing

More than half of all Americans have received a surprise medical bill they expected to be covered by insurance, often in an emergency situation. Unexpected charges that cannot be planned for or budgeted around have thrown millions of people into financial crisis. In the midst of this COVID-19 pandemic, Congress needs to take immediate action to protect patients from surprise medical bills.

We are joining American Heart Association to send an email to your member of Congress. Please take just 30 seconds to send this [pre-filled email letter](#) to your member of Congress urging them to protect patients and families from surprise medical bills.

Thank you for your help and stay safe!

Drugs to Avoid

Obtain the CredibleMeds mobile app for free by clicking the following links: [Apple App Store (iOS)](#), [Google Play](#) (Android devices) and the [Windows Mobile Device](#) store.

CONTACT OUR SUPPORT & RESOURCE CENTER

Our support and resource center is available Monday-Friday to answer your medical and support questions and help you find knowledgeable medical professionals. Contact the support center at 801-946-0946 or email sads@sads.org.