

Nerve Tumours

NF, the new medical term for Neurofibromatosis Type 1 (NF1), NF2-Schwannomatosis (NF2) and Schwannomatosis (SWN) causes tumours to grow on nerve endings. Whilst some children and adults may live a normal life, others of those with NF could have a multitude of medical, physical, and psychological conditions. 60% of those with the condition have learning disabilities and up to 75% are registered disabled. People live in constant pain.

NF is a genetic condition. It cannot be transmitted by touch, and it is not contagious.

- **Approximately 26,500 people in the UK are affected by NF**
- **Up to 30% of NF1 patients will be registered as disabled (2010 Equality Act)**
- **Up to 75% of NF2 patients will be registered as disabled (2010 Equality Act)**

INCREASE AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING

People with NF either work in or visit hospitality venues everyday, and for team members it's important to be aware that these people may look different. They could have:

- **Café au lait spots:** Flat, light to dark brown birthmarks that can appear anywhere on the body, but are most common on the chest, back, pelvis, elbows, and knees.
- **Neurofibromas:** Soft, non-cancerous tumours that can appear on or under the skin. These bumps can be small and round, or they can form a larger growth from multiple nerves.
- **Freckles:** Clusters of freckles in unusual places, such as the armpits, groin, and under the breast.

BRINGING COMMUNITIES TOGETHER


As a trade body, UKHospitality is committed to working through its EDI group to help the sector to foster environments that are inclusive and open for both our workforce and customers. Our sector provides a warm, welcoming environment to not only our guests but also our staff. Importantly, the variety of hospitality makes it possible for everyone to find a role that matches their talent, and we have witnessed a growing number of people with seen and unseen disabilities employed in the sector over the last 10 years.

Nerve Tumours UK (NTUK)

NTUK is the authoritative voice of NF in the UK. The charity is a "one-stop shop" for those affected by NF1, NF2 and SWN, providing support, advice, and information for both those diagnosed with NF, and the medical professionals involved in their care. You can find out more information about NTUK and NF here:

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