

Assuring Child Health

Preventing Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities

National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) focuses on birth defects and developmental disabilities, providing data for action, working on research to identify causes, and developing prevention activities that promote healthy births and optimal development for all children.

Our work includes:

- [Autism and Other Developmental Disabilities](#)
Enhancing the monitoring and tracking of autism and other developmental disabilities and advancing research into the risk factors for these conditions.
- [Birth Defects](#)
Preventing major birth defects associated with maternal risk factors.
- [Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders](#)
Preventing fetal alcohol spectrum disorders and other negative effects of alcohol-exposed pregnancies.
- [Folic Acid](#)
Reducing folic-acid preventable neural tube defects.
- [Newborn Screening](#)
Enhancing the quality and usefulness of newborn screening data and programs.

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