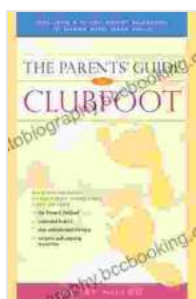


The Parents Guide to Clubfoot: A Comprehensive Resource for Families

Clubfoot is a birth defect that affects the feet. It is characterized by a foot that is turned inward and downward. Clubfoot can be mild or severe, and it can affect one or both feet.

The cause of clubfoot is unknown, but it is thought to be caused by a combination of genetic and environmental factors. Clubfoot is more common in boys than in girls, and it is more common in certain ethnic groups.

Clubfoot can be diagnosed before birth or at birth. If it is diagnosed before birth, it can be treated with surgery or casting. If it is diagnosed at birth, it can be treated with casting or bracing.



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Treatment for clubfoot can be long and challenging, but it is usually successful. With proper treatment, most children with clubfoot will be able

to walk and run normally.

Clubfoot is diagnosed based on the physical exam. The doctor will look for the following signs:

- The foot is turned inward and downward.
- The heel is tilted up.
- The toes are curled under.
- The calf muscles are tight.

The doctor may also Free Download an X-ray to confirm the diagnosis.

The goal of treatment for clubfoot is to correct the deformity and allow the foot to develop normally. Treatment may include:

- **Casting:** Casting is the most common treatment for clubfoot. A cast is applied to the foot and leg to hold it in the correct position. The cast is changed every few weeks as the foot corrects.
- **Bracing:** Bracing is another option for treating clubfoot. A brace is worn on the foot and leg to hold it in the correct position. Braces are usually worn for 23 hours a day for several years.
- **Surgery:** Surgery may be necessary if casting or bracing is not successful. Surgery can be performed to release the tight calf muscles and to correct the deformity of the foot.

Having a child with clubfoot can be a stressful and emotional experience. Parents may feel overwhelmed and uncertain about the future. It is

important for parents to seek emotional support from family, friends, and other parents of children with clubfoot.

There are also a number of organizations that can provide support and information to parents of children with clubfoot. These organizations include:

- The Clubfoot Support Network
- The International Clubfoot Alliance
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- The International Clubfoot Alliance: <https://www.icfa.com/>
- The Ponseti Clubfoot Association:
<https://www.ponseticlubfootassociation.org/>
- The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons:
<https://www.aaos.org/>

These resources can provide parents with information about clubfoot, treatment options, and emotional support.

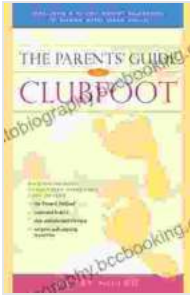
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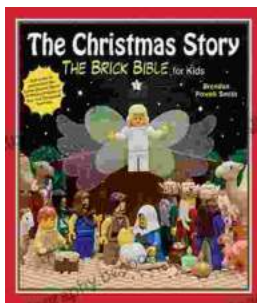


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