



# What is Hemophilia?



Hemophilia is a bleeding disorder that affects one of every 7,500 boys and men from birth. A similar disorder, von Willebrand disease (vWD), affects men and women equally. One of every 100 women suffers from vWD. Adults and children with these bleeding disorders experience spontaneous and prolonged bleeding due to the lack of clotting factors in their blood. There is no cure, and treatment to control the bleeding can cost \$100,000 a year, every year of their lives.

**It's more than most families can bear on their own.  
Because of KHF, they don't have to.**

The Kentucky Hemophilia Foundation, or KHF, is the Kentucky Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation. We are a private, non-profit organization established in 1960 as a support system for concerned parents. Some of our founding members are still involved in Chapter activities.



Since our incorporation, KHF has grown into a statewide health agency serving families affected by hemophilia or a similar bleeding disorder. KHF's programs and services extend to hundreds of families throughout Kentucky.



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