



Cleft Lip & Palate Help for Children

All Services Provided Regardless of the Patients' Ability to Pay



Conditions Treated at the Cincinnati Hospital

BURN CARE

- Burn injuries
- Inhalation injuries
- Burn reconstruction & rehabilitation

PLASTICS & RECONSTRUCTIVE CONDITIONS

- Congenital ear deformities
- Congenital hairy nevus (large birthmarks)
- Cleft lip and palate
- Brachial plexus injuries (nerve damage affecting upper extremities)
- Congenital hand malformations
- Gynecomastia (abnormal breast development in teenage boys)
- Congenital breast deformities
- Hidradenitis (chronic sweat gland disorder)
- Post trauma deformities (treadmill injuries, dog bites, lawnmower accidents)

COMPLEX WOUND & SKIN CONDITIONS

- Purpura Fulminans
- Necrotizing skin infections & Necrotizing Fasciitis
- Stevens-Johnson Syndrome
- Toxic Epidermal Necrolysis
- Port wine stains

While one of the most common birth defects in the United States, care for cleft lip and palate can be difficult to obtain. For this reason, the Cincinnati hospital added this condition to its service line in 1992. Since then close to 600 surgeries have been performed by one of the most experienced plastic surgery teams in the country.

In April 2010 Addison was born with a cleft lip and severe cleft palate. The family, living in Alabama, had limited medical resources, so they started investigating what options they might have for treatment. But the medical bills kept piling up, and with no end in sight, the family had depleted all their resources. Then a friend told them that Shriners Hospitals for Children® might be able to help.

Thousands of miles away in Maine, Shriners from Anah Shriners and relatives of Addison's grandparents connected them with the Cincinnati hospital's cleft lip and palate program. "They assured us that this is what the Shriners do, help children, and that they would help us," wrote Cheryl Younghans, Addison's grandmother, in a letter to the hospital.

When Addie was 6 months old, she had her first surgery to repair the lip. "The success of the operation doesn't begin to tell you how beautiful she looks. She was beautiful before, but now her smile just brightens the room," wrote Cheryl. "Words can not express how grateful our family is to Shriners Hospitals for Children® - Cincinnati. I only wish that my father and grandfather (who were both Shriners) were here so they could see what is being done for Addie. Although Addie has many more trips to Cincinnati before she will be finished, our family is confident that she can not get any better care than she will get from Shriners Hospitals for Children®."

If you know of a child we can help, please call:

Emergency Patient Referrals
(866) 947- 7840

Non-emergency & Nonburn Patient Information
(513) 872- 6240

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