



# MAKING A DIFFERENCE ACROSS THE LIFESPAN

National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities



**SAVING BABIES**  
BY STUDYING AND ADDRESSING  
THE CAUSES OF BIRTH DEFECTS

EVERY **4 1/2** MINUTES  
A BABY IS BORN WITH  
A BIRTH DEFECT

NCBDDD detects and responds to emerging health threats to mothers and babies.



Infectious diseases



Natural disasters



Environmental hazards



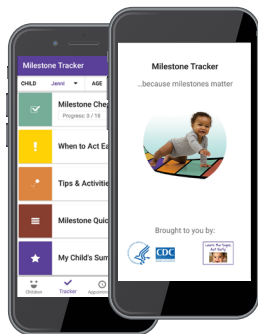
Harmful substances



**HELPING CHILDREN**  
REACH THEIR POTENTIAL BY UNDERSTANDING  
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

**1 IN 31**  
HAS AUTISM  
SPECTRUM DISORDER

NCBDDD promotes developmental monitoring of all young children to improve early identification of autism and other developmental disabilities.



**PROTECTING PEOPLE**  
BY REDUCING COMPLICATIONS OF  
BLOOD DISORDERS AND GENETIC CONDITIONS

**1 IN 10**  
WITH A BLOOD CLOT  
WILL DIE IF IT MOVES  
TO THE LUNGS

NCBDDD raises awareness of the signs, symptoms, and risks of deadly blood clots.



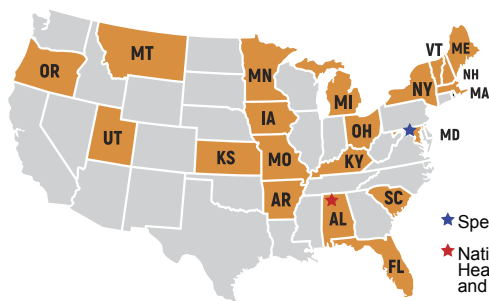
**STOP THE CLOT,  
SPREAD THE WORD™**



**IMPROVING HEALTH**  
OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES

MORE THAN  
**1 IN 4**  
ADULTS HAS  
SOME KIND OF  
DISABILITY

NCBDDD informs data-driven practices through state and national disability and health programs.



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The National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities (NCBDDD) promotes health and enhances the potential for full, productive living throughout the lifespan. We protect those who are most vulnerable to health problems — babies, children, people with blood disorders and genetic conditions, and people with disabilities. But we can do more.

