Walking for Better Lives and Cures

Primary immunodeficiency diseases (PI) are a group of more than 350 rare, chronic disorders in which part of the body’s immune system is missing or functions improperly. Walk with us, and together we can create better lives and cures for the individuals and families living with these diseases.

IDF Walk for PI 2018 – National Walks

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In the United States, approximately **250,000 people** are diagnosed with a primary immunodeficiency disease (PI), and many more go undetected. Representing a group of **more than 350 different rare disorders**, primary immunodeficiencies are often difficult to diagnose. While not contagious, these diseases are caused by hereditary or genetic defects, in which part of the body’s immune system is missing or functions improperly.

Primary immunodeficiency disease can affect anyone, regardless of age or gender. While infection is the most significant symptom, be suspicious and ask your physician to check for the possibility of a primary immunodeficiency disease if the infection you or a family member experience is...

- **Severe** - requires hospitalization or intravenous antibiotics
- **Persistent** - won’t completely clear up or clears very slowly
- **Unusual** - caused by an uncommon organism
- **Recurrent** - keeps coming back
- **Runs in the Family** - others in your family have had a similar susceptibility to infection

Many people with primary immunodeficiencies live their entire lives more susceptible to infections, enduring recurrent health problems and often developing serious and debilitating illnesses.

Fortunately, with proper medical care, many patients are able to live healthy and independent lives.

For more information, visit: [www.primaryimmune.org](http://www.primaryimmune.org)