

# Children's Heart Week Case Study Form

## Background to Children's Heart Week

Children's Heart Week 2010 will run from Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May. During the week, the charities that belong to the Children's Heart Federation will be trying to raise the most possible awareness of congenital and acquired heart disease. To do this, we need a wide range of case stories to feature in newspapers, magazines, radio and television. So, we're asking the families that we know if they would be prepared to help raise awareness by sharing their stories.

If you are willing to take part in the Children's Heart Week awareness campaign, please could you complete this form and return it with a photograph to:

Contact name: Nicola Hill

Contact email: nicolah@chfed.org.uk

Contact Address: Children's Heart Federation, 2-4 Great Eastern Street, London, EC2A 3NW

Telephone: 0207 422 0630

## Your contact details:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Who's who?

Please could you give us the details of the key people in your family's story of living with heart disease? (Please fill in the spaces that apply and you are comfortable with – leave blank anything you are uncomfortable with)

	First name	Last name	Age	Has heart defect?
Mum				
Dad				
Child				
Child				
Child				
Child				
Child				
Other relative/friend _____				
Other relative/friend _____				
Other relative/friend _____				

## **History of treatment**

When was your child / children diagnosed?

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What treatment have they had? (when, where, who gave it)

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## **Life today**

How does having a heart defect affect the child's life today?

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What about the effect on the whole family?

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## **High points and low points**

Please tell us about a time that was really positive for your child / family in relation to life with a heart problem

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Optional – please tell us about a time that was really tough for child / family in relation to life with a heart problem

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**Ambitions, hopes and dreams**

Please tell us about one of the heart child's/family's ambitions, hopes or dreams in relation to their life with a heart problem

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**Use of this information**

Please tick the appropriate boxes of where you would be willing to share your experiences.

- National Newspapers and Women's magazines
- Regional/local newspapers
- Medical Education
- Radio
- Television
- Website

**Photo**

Are you willing to be photographed to support this story Yes? No? If yes, please could you email/lend us a picture of your heart child and/or a picture of the family?

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**Please could you return this form to us ASAP as we are currently receiving journalist enquiries.**  
Thank you SO MUCH for your help. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Nicola Hill. All details will not be disclosed without prior consent.