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SDSF is a 501C3 non-profit charity and depends on your tax deductible donations in order to fund research, provide support to the SDS community and raise awareness about SDS in both the medical community and general public. Please help by donating today, or sponsor a fundraiser. You can also consider including SDSF in your Will, or asking your company to match your donation.

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## OUR MISSION

### SUPPORT RESEARCH



SDSF advocates for and funds research for improved diagnosis, treatment and an ultimate cure. We also provide financial support for the bi-annual SDS International Scientific Congress. And we support the SDS Patient Registry.

### SPREAD AWARENESS



Educate the medical community and general public about SDS to promote early, accurate diagnosis and appropriate treatment and hopefully a cure.

### SUPPORT PATIENTS AND FAMILIES



Link families through medical family conferences & internet to provide them with the most recent medical information, share experiences and provide emotional support.

## SHWACHMAN-DIAMOND SYNDROME FOUNDATION

Founded in 1994 by Joan Mowery, the mother of an SDS patient, Shwachman-Diamond Syndrome Foundation is a not-for-profit organization.

The Board of Directors of our organization is comprised of parents of SDS patients.

Our Medical Advisory Board includes some of the foremost medical experts in various medical areas of SDS. They guide us in matters of patient care and also in decisions regarding potential research.

They have prepared an International Consensus Statement which includes guidelines for diagnosis and proper treatment.

Our Medical Advisory Board is also involved in the biennial SDS International Scientific Congress.

This outstanding group of physicians is working hard to help the SDS community.



## WHAT IS SHWACHMAN-DIAMOND SYNDROME?

First described in 1964, Shwachman-Diamond Syndrome (SDS) is a rare, life-threatening, multi-system, genetic disorder. This rare disorder affects the bone marrow, pancreas, skeleton, brain, immune system, and other organs.

Patients with SDS are at higher risk of developing leukemia and myelodysplastic syndrome, bone marrow failure, osteoporosis and diabetes.

Patients are also susceptible to infections which can be life-threatening.

Because SDS is rare, few physicians are knowledgeable about it. This can result in delayed or incorrect diagnosis and improper treatment.

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