

# Cerebral Palsy Awareness



On December 3rd “*International Day for People with Disabilities*” was marked in India by doctors in various locations who came forward to announce the need for “more awareness to fight **cerebral palsy**.” The incidence there is up to 3 cases per 1,000 live births. Here in the US the numbers run about the same: 2 to 2.5 cases per 1,000 births. Dr David Steenblock and Personalized Regenerative Medicine’s mission is to deliver advanced care for chronic and degenerative diseases.

Not sure what cerebral palsy or CP is? The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) has this to say about it (This is but an excerpt from a much longer posted definition): “The term cerebral palsy refers to any one of a number of neurological disorders that appear in infancy or early childhood and permanently affect body movement and muscle coordination but don’t worsen over time. Even though cerebral palsy affects muscle movement, it isn’t caused by problems in the muscles or nerves. It is caused by abnormalities in parts of the brain that control muscle movements.”

The standard medical treatment of cerebral palsy is primarily aimed at managing disabilities. This includes such things as physical, speech and occupational therapy; seizure and spasticity management using various drugs; surgery in some instances (mostly to alleviate pain, discomfort or disability by correcting underlying anatomical abnormalities or releasing muscles); use of braces, wheelchairs and walkers to aid mobility and bodily function; and so forth.

If you take a few minutes to search the Web for nonstandard treatments for CP you will discover a wealth of them spanning everything from herbal muscle relaxers to “animal therapy” to special body suits (such as the Adeli suit) to stem cells.

Stem cells, of course, are of particular interest to parents of children with CP owed to their promise in ameliorating or even curing many diseases and medical conditions. And as many of these have discovered, one of the most reliable sources of authoritative information on the use of nonembryonic stem cells for CP is pioneering physician David Steenblock.

Dr. Steenblock actually began advocating the use of adult (nonembryonic) stem cells for CP and other vexing neurologic ills more than a decade ago. Then, during early 2003 he became a key medical and scientific consultant to one of the most progressive cord blood stem cell based treatment programs in the Northern Hemisphere. This program accrued case histories that were analyzed by Dr. Steenblock's own nonprofit research institute (SRI) staff, who found that 8 of 10 children with CP treated with 1.5 or more pure cord blood stem cells demonstrated clinically significant improvements in one or more areas of function. This body of work was ultimately incorporated in a number of publications including a book coauthored by Dr. Steenblock titled "Umbilical Cord Stem Cell Therapy: The Gift of Healing from Healthy Newborns" (Basic Health Publications, 2006.)

In the ensuing years these success stories have continued to accrue and by so doing have underscored the promise of cord blood stem cells for CP, as well as cementing Dr. Steenblock's reputation as being in the vanguard of research-oriented clinicians in-the-know concerning stem cell medicine.

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