

Be there for someone with SDS







## Common symptoms include

- Pancreatic insufficiency
- Reduced levels of fat soluble vitamins
- Haematological abnormalities and reduced immune system
- Higher risk of developing blood cancers such as myelodysplastic syndrome (MDS) and acute myeloid leukaemia (AML)
- Developmental delay with potential psychological and social problems
- Skeletal abnormalities
- Failure to thrive / poor stature
- Dental problems







## **SHWACHMAN DIAMOND SYNDROME UK**

SDS is so rare that everypart of a donation has a direct impact on patients lives

## Did you know?

Patients have to travel to different hospitals or clinics often miles away from home for their specialist care

77% of parents living with someone with a rare bone marrow condition often or always feel anxious about their childs condition

There are only 2 specialist adult clinics in the UK

48% see friends and

Help is desperately needed for funding research and generating awareness of this little known disease

family members less regularly as a result of the condition Peolpe living with a



rare bone marrow condition are over 4 times more likely to be lonely than the general population

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**Findings from Rare Voices: A National Report** on the Experiences of those with Rare Conditions Affecting the Bone Marrow.