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WHAT IS KAWASAKI DISEASE?

KD is an illness characterized by inflammation of the blood vessels that supply blood to the heart muscle. It is accompanied by the following signs:

- Fever
- Swelling of the hands and feet
- Reddening of the eyes
- Red, cracked lips and red tongue
- Swollen lymph nodes in the neck

Most experts agree that KD is caused by environmental triggers that affect only genetically susceptible children. There is no evidence that the disease is contagious.



ADULT KAWASAKI DISEASE COLLABORATIVE

WHAT IS THE ADULT KD COLLABORATIVE?

The San Diego Adult KD Collaborative is an interdisciplinary study that is designed to teach us about the cardiovascular and general health of individuals who experienced KD in childhood



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WHAT DOES THE STUDY INVOLVE?

- Participants 15 and older will fill out an online health questionnaire. They will be asked to complete a follow-up health questionnaire every 2 years.
- If they live in the San Diego area or are visiting, we would like to obtain a blood sample for use in research to learn more about the late effects of KD.

WHY WILL I BE ASKED IF I HAVE A HEALTHY FRIEND WHO MIGHT ALSO BE WILLING TO COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE?

- By studying young adults who do and who DO NOT have a history of KD in childhood, we can make comparisons between the groups.

WHO SHOULD BE FOLLOWED BY AN ADULT CARDIOLOGIST?

- KD patients who had coronary artery aneurysm in childhood may benefit from a follow-up with an adult cardiologist, knowledgeable about KD.
- We recommend a specialized test called a “Coronary Artery Calcium (CAC) score” and a visit with a cardiologist knowledgeable about KD.
- If you have any questions, please contact us at:

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