

Support Groups for Families Living With Epilepsy

When a child is diagnosed with epilepsy, it affects every member of the family. At Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, we offer a support group for patients with epilepsy and their parents and siblings.

For parents

The group provides caregivers with information, education and resource-sharing opportunities, as well as emotional support and a chance to talk with other parents. Led by Children's healthcare providers, the support group is open for parents and caregivers to share their experiences. Guest speakers will be scheduled on occasion to present educational topics related to seizures.

For children

The children's group is for those age 7 and older who are able to attend a peer discussion group without their parents for 90 minutes. Participants will be provided with tools for how to cope with their diagnosis in a social setting. They will experience a safe space to learn more about their diagnosis, to discuss real life experiences, and most important, to have fun and meet others. Siblings are also invited to attend. Led by a neuropsychology fellow and a child life specialist, this group's professionals have extensive experience working with children with complex medical and neurological histories and their families.

When: The second Tuesday of each monthTime: Check in time for children is 6 p.m. Caregiver check in time is 6:30 p.m.Where: Support Center, 1575 Northeast Expressway, Atlanta, GA 30329

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