

EPILEPSY & SEIZURES

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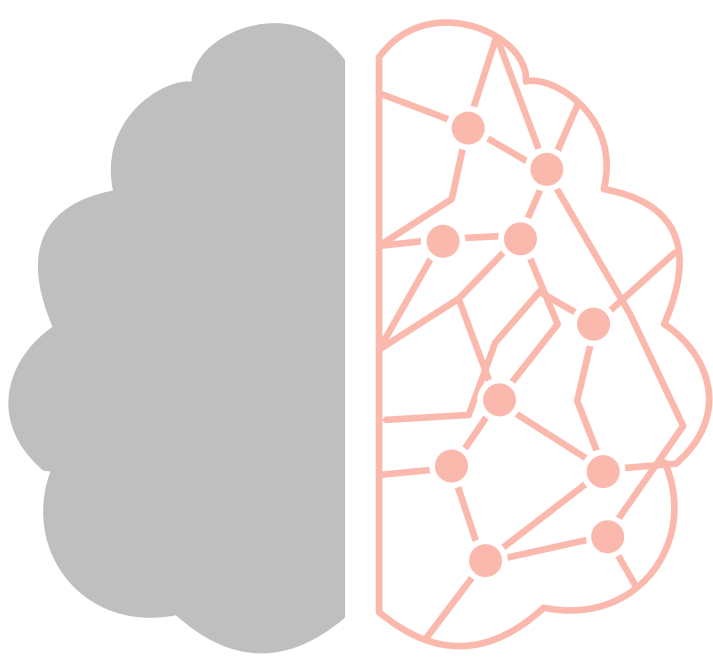
people live with epilepsy worldwide.

1/26 people

will develop epilepsy in their lifetime.

1/10 people

suffer from some kind of seizure in their lifetime.



Epilepsy is caused due to disturbances in electrical signals in the brain.

Our brains work through millions of individual neurons (small processing cells) that communicate using billions of electrical signals in highly adaptive pathways. When this balance is upset, seizures result and the person behaves in a different way from normal.

Symptoms may vary from simply having a blank staring expression to more expressive twitching of arms or legs or even losing consciousness.

Epilepsy Diagnosis

Recurrent seizures with unknown triggers, occurring twice or more maybe classified as epilepsy.

Did you Know?

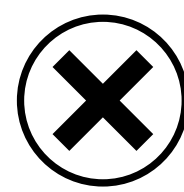
Epilepsy is one of the oldest conditions known to man with records of epilepsy since 4000 BC.



DOs and DON'Ts for seizures.



- 1** Stay with the person until the seizure ends.
- 2** Move sharp objects that may cause harm to the person.
- 3** Try to turn the person to one side.
- 4** If the seizure lasts over five minutes, it may be life-threatening. Call for emergency medical assistance.



- 1** NEVER force something into the mouth during seizure.
- 2** DO NOT restrain the person having seizures. Just make sure the environment is safe for them.
- 3** DO NOT refuse help. Epilepsy and seizures are not contagious and you are not at risk.
- 4** People with epilepsy can do everything like everybody else. DO NOT discourage them from having normal lives.

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