

Case Study Request

One of our aims at Facial Palsy UK is to raise awareness of facial paralysis. The more people know about this condition, the more we will be able to raise much-needed funds for research and treatment. The support of the media is essential to our campaigns: they can greatly help us by publishing articles about facial palsy, featuring personal stories of people whose lives are affected by facial paralysis on a day-to-day basis. We're also looking for more personal stories for our website.

How can you get involved?

As a media volunteer:

Occasionally, journalists contact us to ask for media volunteers who would agree to be interviewed about their experience of facial palsy. Real life examples are what allow the reader, or the audience, to empathise with the issue developed by the journalist. These stories can also help other people affected by facial palsy realise that they are not alone. Facial Palsy UK media volunteers could be asked to appear on TV news or features, be interviewed on the radio, or quoted in a newspaper or a magazine article. We take confidentiality very seriously, and we will never send your details to a journalist without your permission. Media interviews might come up sporadically throughout the year so don't be surprised if you don't hear from our team right away.

Share your story on our website:

Sharing your story on our website will be a huge support for other facial palsy sufferers: they will realise that they are not alone and that many other people experience, and can understand, what they are going through. As a guideline, you could try and include all or some of the following information when you write your personal story:

- Your name (we will not publish your real name if you don't wish us to).
- Your age, or age range.
- The area you live in.
- Your occupation/hobbies.
- How facial palsy changed your life.
- How you have been helped by a particular treatment.
- Any advice you have for other patients, for the medical profession and for the general public.
- What your hopes are for the future – be it treatments, changing attitudes for the better, etc.

Ideally, your story shouldn't be longer than 1200 words. Don't worry if spelling and grammar aren't perfect, we can help you edit it. If you prefer to tell us your story on the phone this is also an option.

Facial Palsy UK Volunteer Case Study Form

(please complete in block capitals)

Subject's name:	
Is the subject a minor? (Under 18)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Parent/Guardian name (if applicable):	
Year of Birth (needed for media volunteers):	
Address:	
Postcode:	
INDICATE PREFERRED METHOD OF CONTACT BELOW	
Telephone:	<input type="checkbox"/> Tick if this is your preferred contact method
Mobile:	<input type="checkbox"/> Tick if this is your preferred contact method
Email address:	<input type="checkbox"/> Tick if this is your preferred contact method
Pseudonym (if you wish to use a different name, please add it here):	
How would you like to help?	Please indicate your preference below
Become a media volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Share my story on the Facial Palsy UK website	<input type="checkbox"/>
Both	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you ticked the media volunteer option, please indicate mediums you are happy to appear in/on:	<input type="checkbox"/> Television <input type="checkbox"/> Newspapers <input type="checkbox"/> Radio <input type="checkbox"/> Magazines <input type="checkbox"/> Medical journals
Have you already appeared in the media in connection with facial palsy?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes please give details below:
How long have you had facial palsy?	
What caused your facial palsy?	
What surgeries/treatments have you had, if any?	
Would you like to be added to our mailing list? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> See our Privacy Policy	

About photographs

Facial Palsy UK would like to use you or your child's photographs/video in press releases, on the Facial Palsy UK website and/or for educational and promotional uses. Every picture really helps to tell a story but we do understand if people prefer not to have their photographs used.

To comply with the General Data Protection Regulation, we need your permission to use photographs of you or your child. Please answer the question below, then sign and date the form where shown. We will not use the images taken, or any other information you provide, for any other purpose.

May we have your permission to include you or your child's pictures/videos in current or future printed or digital materials? Yes No

Please confirm that you have read and understand the conditions for use below.

Conditions of use

I agree to the recording, publication, exhibition and/or broadcasting of the material (in which I/my children appear) as detailed on this form and reference to my /their name where necessary. I hereby give all consents of all kinds and for all time, for you to use the material or part(s) of it without liability or acknowledgement to me.

I also understand that the material may be edited and used in any way at the discretion of Facial Palsy UK.

I confirm that I have read and understand the conditions of use as stated on this form.

I understand that if my pictures and accompanying information are placed on the Facial Palsy UK website that potentially this will be accessible by anyone in the world with internet access.

Your signature:

Date:

Print Name:

Please return the completed form to:

Facial Palsy UK
Eventus
Sunderland Road
Market Deeping
Peterborough
PE6 8FD

Thank you for your support!