

# Proud to be one in 700!



One in 700 babies  
is born with a cleft.  
That's three every day  
in the United Kingdom.

## A cleft can happen in any pregnancy

The causes of cleft are complicated, and each case is different. It can happen even with no known family history.

## There's no 'quick fix'

One or more surgeries can close a cleft, but it can have a lifelong impact on speech, hearing, teeth, breathing and self-esteem.

## 45% of clefts are 'invisible'

A cleft palate is a gap in the roof of the mouth. You can't see a cleft palate from the outside, but it can have a big impact on speech, feeding and hearing.

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more about Cleft Lip and  
Palate Association on  
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