

Port Wine Birthmark

FACTS:

- **Port wine stains are light pink to red birthmarks. Clusters of blood vessels in the skin cause the color.**
- **Port wine stains are formed during pregnancy. They are not genetic or contagious and are very common.**
- **The color may darken over time and get a rough surface appearance.**
- **Most children with port wine birthmarks are normal in all other aspects.**



Children with port wine birthmarks lead happy and healthy lives with their families.




Port wine stains are pink marks on the skin and can appear on the face, body or limbs.




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TREATMENT:

- Treatment is not necessary in most cases.
- The color and roughness of the mark can be lightened by laser treatments from a dermatologist
- Children with port wine stains including the eyelid should be seen by a doctor.
- Children with large port wine stains on their arms or legs should be seen by a doctor.



Children with port wine birthmarks are part of many happy families.



Port wine stains can be treated by a dermatologist to lighten the color.