



### What is Neurofibromatosis?

Neurofibromatosis (NF) is one of the most common genetic conditions and can affect anyone, regardless of family history, race, gender, or ethnic background.

NF1 affects approximately one out of every 3,000 individuals. NF2 affects one out of every 25,000 individuals. A third classification, Schwannomatosis, is a rare form of NF that has only recently been recognized and appears to affect around 1:40,000 individuals. It is less well understood than NF1 and NF2, and features may vary greatly between patients.

### What is Neurofibromatosis Clinics Association, Pittsburgh (NFCA) & How does my donation help?

The NFCA is a local, non-profit organization dedicated to serving people with NF and their families. The NFCA acts as an information resource for health care professionals, patients and the general public. Through various fundraising projects, the NFCA provides funding for research to find a cure for NF (Neurofibromatosis), and contributes financial aid to the NF Clinic in the Neurology Department at Children's Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Our vision is a world in which Neurofibromatosis (NF) is no longer an incurable condition.

[NFCA Website](#)

### Do I have to fundraise if I run with Team NFCA?

**No, but we would love it if you do!** Remember, raising \$10 for the team gives NFCA \$10 more to support individuals with NF than we had today!!!

Bonus: Individuals who do fundraise have the opportunity to earn bonus items such as additional clothing options and Race Day VIP access.

## How do I sign up to run with Team NFCA?

\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: If you sign up for an event, you will be responsible for packet pick up at the Marathon Expo on either Friday or Saturday! All information about this process is on the marathon website. \*\*\*

1. Visit the Pittsburgh Marathon website  
<https://www.thepittsburghmarathon.com/>
2. Click REGISTER in the upper right hand corner of the webpage.
3. Create your Race Roster account (Please write down your login information!)
4. Choose your event & complete your contact information
5. After completing your contact information, you will see “Charity Runners Run for Free” and will be asked if you would like to join a charity. Click YES. In the dropdown menu, choose “Neurofibromatosis Clinics Association (NFCA)”

### Charity Runners Run for Free

Would you like to run in support of an official charity and earn back your registration? \*

When you meet the fundraising minimum for one of our official charities (click "yes" to select your favorite cause from the drop-down menu below!), you'll earn a refund on your registration fee (less any processing fees)

- Yes  
 No

Which official charity would you like to run for? \*

If using a keyboard, drop down selections must be made using the enter key.

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**\*\*After completing registration, if you remember, please email Jamie at [hoffmanj@penntrafford.org](mailto:hoffmanj@penntrafford.org) to let her know that you joined the team!**

**\*\*\*Already registered for an event, but still want to run with the team?  
No problem!! Email Jamie and we can add you!**

Also, if you are on Facebook, join the Team NFCA page for updates & information!

[2023 NFCA Facebook page](#)