

## Why are **Hip Surveillance** programs being implemented?

One in three children with Cerebral Palsy (CP) will develop progressive hip dysplasia, which can affect their ability to sit, stand or ambulate, as well as cause pain. Early detection and intervention can minimize the need for later procedures or surgeries and improve quality of life. Children with GMFCS levels III-V appear at greatest risk.

## Why do we want to do **Hip Surveillance**?

- Children with cerebral palsy are more likely to have a hip problem called "hip dysplasia."
- Hip dysplasia is when the thigh bone (femur) and the hip bone (pelvis) don't grow into the right shape for the hip joint to work well.
- Hip dysplasia can lead to "hip dislocation" (where the thigh bone doesn't stay tight against the bone of the pelvis anymore).

### Normal Hip







Subluxation



Dislocation

Image source: http://whenithurtstomove.org/about-orthopaedics/ joint-anatomy/hip/hip-dysplasia/ Accessed 11/7/2019.

- Hip dislocation may be painful and may lead to problems with sitting, standing and changing clothes or diapers.
- Research has shown that children are more likely to get hip dysplasia if they are unable to move or stand.
- Researchers in Australia and Sweden have found that we can prevent hip dislocation by doing regular x-rays and hip exams and implementing other treatment accordingly.

### Who is **implementing** these programs?



Some of the largest school districts in the United States. along with several international organizations that pioneered such programs, have established and implemented large-scale Hip Surveillance programs to screen young children with cerebral palsy on a regular basis and detect early-stage problems, with the goal of improving treatment strategies and outcomes.

A child is at risk for hip displacement if he/she has cerebral palsy. Cerebral palsy affects a child's ability to move. When children are late to stand and walk or can only do so with help, the hip joint may not develop as expected. In addition, the muscles that pull the legs together and up are often tight or stiff and can pull the hip out of place.



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## How does standing in abduction in Zing products fit into **Hip Surveillance** programs?

Multiple hip surveillance program guidelines outline early evaluation for a standing system/program, especially those at greatest risk for hip dislocation (GMFCS levels III-V), as one of the tenets that should be included in a hip surveillance plan. One of the early indicators commonly related to hip dysplasia is a reduction in hip abduction/ extension ranges, especially hip abduction decreasing below 30 degrees.



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While standing can be a positive intervention for those at risk of hip dysplasia, it is only one part of a larger intervention plan.



# Where are **Hip Surveillance** programs being implemented?

#### Australia:

https://ausacpdm.org.au/professionals/hip-surveillance/australian-hip-surveillance-guidelines/

Sweden: http://cpup.se/in-english/

British Columbia-Canada: http://childhealthbc.ca/hips

### United Kingdom:

- Spasticity in children and young people-Support for education and learning: practice-based implementation advice: NHS
- National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence, September 2012: https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/CG145
- Surveillance of Cerebral Palsy in Europe: http://www.scpenetwork.eu/en/about-scpe/

### California Center for Pubilc Health Advocacy:

- Surveillance to Salvage Seminar: http://shrinerschildrens.org/cphip/

Shriner Hospital for Children- N. California: www.hipscreen.org

Boston Children's Hospital Orthopedic Center: bostonchildrens.org/cp



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