

What is Duchenne?



DUCHENNE IS A PROGRESSIVE, MUSCLE-WASTING DISEASE.

It results from a defective gene responsible for producing the key muscle protein, dystrophin. Without dystrophin, cells easily become damaged and die, resulting in heart and breathing failure.



Those with Duchenne are usually diagnosed before age 5 ...



... may use a wheelchair by age 12 ...



... and most don't survive their mid-20s.