

## APPRECIATE OUR OFFERS?

Then become a part of our nationwide network !

- **Engage yourself**  
In a local group or in your child heart medical centre or found yourself a new regional group.
- **Become a member**  
A strong community of interests with many members is heard.
- **Talk with us**  
We appreciate your ideas, advices and experiences.
- **Talk about us**  
Still only a few people are aware of the problems heart children and their families have to cope with.
- **Support our work**  
With your donation. Gladly also via PayPal:



Association for support of care and consulting of people with congenital heart disease and their families

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- Support with application for disabled person's pass or rehabilitation measures
- Tips how to apply for benefits of healthinsurance and nursing care insurance as well as pension insurance institute
- Providing assistance with possible objection proceedings, information about legal regulations for integration and inclusion of children with congenital heart disease in kindergarden, school and job.

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Humans with congenital heart disease  
need strong families



WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

Since 1984, a strong community  
information – consulting – support

## OUR MOTIVATION

Among a 100 babies, there is one with a heart defect, that means that about 6.000 children a year are born with congenital heart diseases in Germany. When „Herzkind“ was founded in 1984, there was only little help for heart children, many of them died very young. Nowadays, cardiologists and surgeons offer excellent therapy, 95% of our children become adults and lead a normal life. They are operated very well and their defect does not restrict very much their life.

But there are still some complex defects which can only be operated insufficiently. Even successful operations do not guarantee a life without health restrictions. Patients have to be examined their whole life. They have problems in physical strength, need many therapies in hospital, many operations have to be repeated. Sorrows of their family and friends remain permanently. The restricted function of their heart causes severe consequences onto the whole organism of the patient. Here cardiological experts for young and adult people take care of their control.

## PUT YOUR HAND ON YOUR HEART

When a child is born with a congenital heart disease, parents are confronted with a lot of problems from one moment to the other. For the coming weeks, they have to cope with insecurity full of questions and challenges of a new kind. Besides a good care, these families need help, advice and support in this new life situation.

## THIS IS OUR SUPPORT

- Many years, we have experience in understanding your sorrows and fears. We support you to find your individual way in this situation.
- We help you to find all important support for you and your heart child.
- We find connections to families living in a similar situation with a heart child.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE!



## We offer competent support

- **Social law advice** covering all aspects of congenital heart diseases
- Always updated: you receive our **magazin „HERZBLICK“** regularly all three months with lots of information about life with congenital heart disease.
- **Professional events** and workshops offer experienced first hand information
- **Support in finding specialized children's heart center / adults heart centers**
- Support in finding **resident child cardiologists** in our area

## Engage yourself

- Together we are strong : become a **member** in our support groups and benefit from our over 35 years experience and competence
- Engage yourself in our **regional parentgroups**
- **Find contact:** attend meetings, symposiums and lectures with your family, meet sympathizers and self-affected people
- Become yourself a **contact partner** for parents in such new life situations, become contact parents.

