

What are we doing?

We are interviewing children and young people with cerebral palsy (CP) or their parents/carers about their/their child's experience of pain and anxiety following lower limb orthopaedic surgery. We want to better understand the experience of pain and anxiety, from the perspective of the child/young person and their parents/carers.

Who can participate?

What is involved?

You will need to take part in a 30-60 minute face-to-face interview with a researcher. You will be asked about your/your child's experience of pain and anxiety and how it has affected you/your child. Interviews will be conducted at the Rehabilitation Departments of the Sydney Children's Hospital Network (Kids Rehab or Rehab2Kids), at home or online.

Why are we doing this study?

We know that pain and anxiety are commonly experienced in children and young people with CP following orthopaedic surgery and there is little published research on the experience. We hope this research will provide children and young people with CP and their families the opportunity to share their experience. This will help health care professionals to better understand and manage pain and anxiety in children with CP following lower limb orthopaedic surgery.

Who can I contact?

Are you a child or young person with cerebral palsy who has had lower limb care, advocacy, research, education orthopaedic surgery-we need your help!

Children and young people with CP aged 12-18 years OR parents/carers of a child with CP The child/young person has had lower limb orthopaedic surgery between the ages of 8-18 years (+/- surgery before this age) either at The Children's Hospital at Westmead or Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick.

Please contact Karen Bau (karen.bau@health.nsw.gov.au or (02) 9845 2854)

This study is confidential and voluntary. You may opt out at any time. This research is governed and has been approved by the Sydney Children's Hospitals Network Ethics Committee A qualitative study: the lived experience of pain and anxiety in children and young people with cerebral palsy undergoing lower limb orthopaedic surgery. Recruitment Poster V1 07 July 2023

