

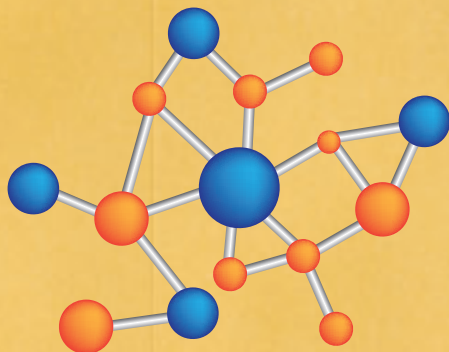
## CANADA'S REALITY...

Genetic testing is available to all Canadians.

**WE ARE ALL AT RISK** of our genetic information being used against us.

Canada is the only G8 country that **DOES NOT PROTECT** its citizens from genetic discrimination.

Employers and insurance companies can and do **DISCRIMINATE** based on our DNA information.



We need a **LOUDER VOICE** to educate **ALL** Canadians on the importance of protecting our DNA information to ensure it is used to our benefit.



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## MY REALITY...

I have a **50% CHANCE** of inheriting Huntington disease and my genetic test results will tell my fate.

## What is Huntington Disease?

Huntington disease (HD) is a genetic brain disorder that **DESTROYS LIVES**. It is like having Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and Schizophrenia all in one disease.

HD causes cells in specific parts of the brain to die. As the disease progresses, a person with Huntington's become less able to manage movements, recall events, make decisions and control emotions. The disease leads to incapacitation and, eventually, death.

### HD FACTS

- Each child born to a parent with HD has a 50% chance of sharing the same fate
- 1 in every 1,000 Canadians is impacted by HD
- Currently there is no known cure

## What is Genetic Discrimination?

Genetic discrimination occurs when people are treated unfairly because of actual or perceived differences in their genetic information that may cause or increase the risk to develop a disorder or disease.

Genetic information is complicated and should not be used against us. This type of discrimination affects more than just those with Huntington disease, we are all at risk.

**ANYONE** could have sequences in their DNA that can lead to diseases like Huntington's, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, vision loss and many others.

**THE CHOICE** to be tested is personal and should not put us at risk.

## Leading The Way To End Genetic Discrimination

The Huntington Society of Canada, along with 16 other health charities, formed the Canadian Coalition for Genetic fairness ([www.ccgf-cceg.ca](http://www.ccgf-cceg.ca)) to end genetic discrimination in Canada.

Canada is the only G8 country that does not protect its citizens against genetic discrimination. This form of discrimination must stop now.

The reality is that genetic information may lead to awareness, prevention and treatment of disease.

The Huntington Society of Canada is a respected leader in the worldwide effort to end Huntington disease and genetic discrimination. We are the only Canadian health charity dedicated to providing help and hope for families dealing with Huntington disease across Canada.

## How you can help...

the Huntington Society and all Canadians to end genetic discrimination in Canada.

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