THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT HISTIO

Histiocytosis is a term used to describe a group of rare diseases - histiocytic disorders.

Histiocytic disorders are considered “orphan diseases”. An orphan disease is one that affects fewer than 1 in 200,000 individuals in the United States.

These disorders occur when there is an overproduction of white blood cells known as histiocytes that can lead to organ damage and tumor formation.

There are five (5) histiocytic disorders:

- **LCH** - Langerhans cell histiocytosis
- **HLH** - Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis
- **JXG** - Juvenile xanthogranuloma
- **ECD** - Erdheim-Chester Disease
- **RD** - Rosai-Dorfman disease

Each of these diseases is very different, and the symptoms, rate of occurrence, diagnostic testing, and treatments vary widely.

Histiocytic disorders can affect both children and adults of all ages.

Histiocytic disorders are primarily treated by hematologists/oncologists.

There is no known cause or cure for histiocytosis.

Learn more at www.histio.org