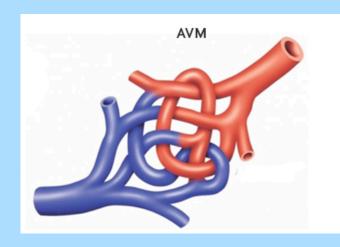
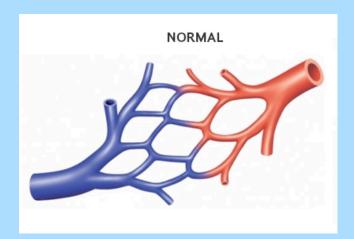
UNDERSTANDING AVMS IN CHILDREN

WHAT IS AN AVM?

A brain arteriovenous malformation (AVM) is a tangle of blood vessels that creates irregular connections between arteries and veins in the brain.





FOR EVERY 100,000 CHILDREN, ABOUT 1 WILL BE DIAGNOSED WITH A BRAIN AVM EACH YEAR.

COMMON SYMPTOMS INCLUDE...







Seizures



Difficulty speaking or walking



Vision problems

WHY DO THEY MATTER IN KIDS?

- AVMs can bleed, causing dangerous brain hemorrhages.
- Kids live longer with AVMs, so the lifetime risk of bleeding is higher.
- A child's brain is still developing, so AVMs can affect learning, movement, and arowth.
- 30-50% of brain bleeds in children are caused by AVMs.

LIVING WITH AN AVM

Many kids with AVMs grow up healthy, active, and full of dreams.

Treatment and regular check-ups help keep them safe, while support from family, teachers, and friends makes sure they never face this journey alone.

There is always hope, healing, and a future ahead.