

Cerebral Palsy

This is a disorder of movement or posture. It is caused by damage to the area of the brain which controls movement. Other adjacent areas can be damaged too, causing problems with sight, hearing and learning.

The degree to which a child is affected can vary greatly from mild difficulties in an arm to complete paralysis and disablement. Speech can be affected. Some people with cerebral palsy suffer from spasticity (muscles tense), some have involuntary jerking of the limbs and others have balance problems when walking.