



Information on the Erfocentrum



The Erfocentrum

The Erfocentrum provides reliable and understandable information on genetics, genetic and congenital conditions, pregnancy and medical biotechnology to the general public and (medical) professionals. The information of the Erfocentrum is aimed to support people making informed decisions on their personal or children's health. Our information can also help people on forming their own personal opinions about social and ethical aspects of genetics and biomedical issues.

The Erfocentrum is an independent non-profit organisation. For more information on the Erfocentrum visit our website <http://www.erfocentrum.nl/english.php>.

What can the Erfocentrum do for you?

The Erfocentrum is meant for everyone who has questions on:

- Genetics and inheritance
- Genetic and congenital conditions
- Pregnancy in relation to genetic and congenital condition
- Preparing for a healthy pregnancy
- Application of medical biotechnology for the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of genetic and congenital conditions

Our information is offered to the public and (medical) professionals through a variety of mediums including websites, a helpdesk, brochures and electronic newsletters.

Websites of the Erfocentrum

The Erfocentrum has the following websites. The information at the websites is mostly in Dutch.

www.erfelijkheid.nl Information about hereditary conditions and inheritance
www.erfelijkheidinbeeld.nl Videos about congenital and hereditary disorders
www.biomedisch.nl On medical biotechnology and biomedical research
www.ZwangerWijzer.nl Online decision aid about health risks in relation to pregnancy
www.ZwangerStraks.nl About lifestyle before a healthy pregnancy
www.ZwangerNu.nl Information on a healthy pregnancy, lifestyle and prenatal testing
www.Slikeerstfoliumzuur.nl Information on taking folic acid before and during pregnancy
www.ikhebdat.nl Information about hereditary conditions for kids
www.bogi.nl Educational module for kids on genetics
www.kalitim.nl Turkish website about genetics
www.erfelijkebloedarmoede.nl Website of a pilot project about hereditary anemia
www.erfocentrum.nl Corporate website of the Erfocentrum.

Helpdesk

If someone has questions after reading the information on our websites, he or she can contact our helpdesk, the Erfolijn, by e-mail at erfolijn@erfocentrum.nl. Our information officers will answer the questions in English and will refer to other trustworthy English information on the Internet or support groups. If someone has medical questions our information officers will recommend to contact a

general practitioner, midwife, medical specialist or clinical geneticist.

Brochures

Brochures, some of which are translated into English, can be downloaded from our several websites.