



2007 Annual Report

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Mission

PRISMS is dedicated to providing information and support to families of persons with Smith-Magenis Syndrome (SMS) and foster partnerships with professionals to increase awareness and understanding of SMS. PRISMS is also committed to the support and promotion of research in the causes, optimal management and treatment of SMS.

About SMS

Smith-Magenis syndrome is a clinically recognizable chromosome microdeletion syndrome. It is caused by a missing piece (deletion) of part of number 17 chromosome (del 17p11.2). Ann C.M. Smith, M.A., D.Sc. (hon), a genetic counselor, and Ellen Magenis, M.D., a cytogeneticist first described SMS in the early 1980's.

Although the exact incidence is not known, it is estimated that SMS occurs in 1 out of 25,000 births. SMS is extremely under-diagnosed, but as awareness of it increases, the number of people identified grows every year.

Programs & Services

Since 1993, PRISMS has served as a central clearinghouse for information about SMS, providing a range of educational and support services. Today we provide programs and services for hundreds of families each year in the US and abroad. Our services include:

- Telephone and email support
- Web site: <http://www.prisms.org>
- Official newsletter – *Spectrum*



- [SMS Bulletin Board](#)
- Database of registered families
- Information packet for newly diagnosed families
- [SMS brochure](#) (622KB), bookmark and video for families, caregivers & medical professionals
- [Parent-to-Parent Program](#)
- [International Conferences on SMS every 2-3 years](#)
- A multidisciplinary [Professional Advisory Board](#) whose members serve as a resource to families and professionals.

2007 Highlights

- The Fifth International PRISMS Conference, “Building Bridges of Hope,” was held May 10-13th, 2007, in Reston, VA. The conference was attended by over 300 persons, including families and professionals. New research, behavior management strategies, education information, family issues and our Parent Panel were some of the many topics that were presented at the conference. The conference is our most comprehensive program and the time and monetary investment for PRISMS for this program is of tremendous benefit to our families and professionals.
- The conference was preceded by the Research Roundtable where 50 professionals from many disciplines convened to present new research about Smith-Magenis Syndrome and to collaborate on research projects.
- PRISMS continued to host an online SMS Discussion Forum or Bulletin Board. This great resource is designed to build a “knowledge base” for SMS – created by parents, professionals and people affected with SMS – to help and support each other. Information is well-organized by category and topics to facilitate participation in online discussion and/or finding entries posted before.
- PRISMS initiated a new program using a special bookmark to raise awareness of SMS that features faces of children with SMS, common characteristics of SMS, and PRISMS information. These are distributed at the Conference, and available for members to distribute to schools, caretakers, and medical professionals in their community.
- Published PRISMS official newsletter, *Spectrum*, quarterly, with updated formatting and graphic design.
- Supported regional and international SMS family gatherings through advertising and follow-up articles in the PRISMS newsletter, *Spectrum*.
- A Holiday Greeting card featuring a picture of children with SMS was sent to members and donors as a year-end fundraising campaign.
- Initiated or participated in several new fund-raising activities, including a fundraising picnic in California, silent auction at the Fifth International PRISMS Conference, 1st Annual 5K Run & Carnival in Ohio, while continued with “Good Search” and “Birdies for Charity”.

Governance and Finances

PRISMS, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation organized under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and incorporated in the State of Virginia. PRISMS is supported by membership dues, charitable contributions, and volunteer work. A 7 member [Board of Directors](#) governs PRISMS. In addition, PRISMS works closely with a multidisciplinary [Professional Advisory Board](#), which provides medical guidance and reviews research proposals. **Ann C.M. Smith, M.A., D.Sc.(hon)**, the co-

discoverer of SMS, with National Human Genome Research Institute, National Institutes of Health (NIH), Bethesda, MD serves as chair of the Professional Advisory Board.

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P.R.I.S.M.S., Inc.
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2007
(With Comparative Totals for 2006)

ASSETS:	2007	2006
Cash in Checking	\$ 28,848	\$ 74,835
Cash in Savings	79,618	19,763
Cash in CDs	67,541	55,309
Total Cash	<u>176,007</u>	<u>149,907</u>
Contributions Receivable	15,000	0
Prepaid Expenses-Conference	0	14,583
Prepaid Insurance	1,130	1,130
Total Prepaid Expenses	<u>1,130</u>	<u>15,713</u>
 TOTAL ASSETS	 <u>\$ 192,137</u>	 <u>\$ 165,620</u>
 LIABILITIES:	 \$ 0	 \$ 0
 NET ASSETS:		
Unrestricted-General	163,171	154,654
Unrestricted-Designated	10,966	10,966
Temporarily Restricted	<u>18,000</u>	<u>0</u>
 TOTAL NET ASSETS	 <u>192,137</u>	 <u>165,620</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	 <u>\$ 192,137</u>	 <u>\$ 165,620</u>

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Statement of Activities
For The Year Ended December 31, 2007
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	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS		
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:		
Conference	\$ 65,531	\$ 6,055
Contributions-United Way	5,390	31,985
Contributions-Other	53,329	1,375
Contributions-In-Kind	1,407	8,765
Memberships	6,396	2,536
Interest Income	1,921	
Fund-Raising -		
Special Events	18,262	4,085
Product Sales	1,831	2,387
Total Fundraising	<u>20,093</u>	<u>6,472</u>
Total Support and Revenue	<u>154,067</u>	<u>57,188</u>
EXPENSES:		
Program Services	133,252	20,056
Management & General	10,915	7,321
Fund-Raising	1,383	1,912
Total Expenses	<u>145,550</u>	<u>29,289</u>
Increase In Unrestricted Net Assets	\$ 8,517	\$ 27,899
CHANGE IN TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS		
Restricted Contributions	<u>18,000</u>	<u>0</u>
Increase in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	\$ 18,000	\$ 0
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS	26,517	27,899
BEGINNING NET ASSETS	<u>165,620</u>	<u>137,721</u>
ENDING NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 192,137</u>	<u>\$ 165,620</u>

This financial report is abstracted from audited financial statements prepared by Sonnenberg & Co, CPAs, San Diego, CA. A complete copy of our financial statements along with the auditor's opinion and the accompanying notes is available from our office upon request.