

Evelyn (written by her mother, Christie)

Evelyn is a sweet, lovable girl who brings a smile to all who meet her. She has a disorder called CDKL5. CDKL5 is a gene on the Xchromosome that is important for brain development and affects many body systems. She was a big healthy baby at birth, but started having seizures at 2 weeks old. The seizures are very difficult to control and add to the developmental delays Evelyn has. She does not talk, walk on her own, feed or dress herself. Progress is slow, but thankfully has steadily been in the forward direction.

Evelyn began Conductive Education attending a summer camp with great results. It was a wonderful experience and she has now been attending Conductive Education after school classes for several years. The gains she has made are incredible. Evelyn's strength and endurance for standing and walking has increased. She has learned to hold onto a bar while standing. Her attention to activities and her interaction with others has also increased. Evelyn has learned to work on tasks while lying down, sitting and standing. With the demands placed on Evelyn during Conductive Education classes she has risen to the occasion and gained endurance and skills to become more interactive and functional in her environment. We are grateful for the opportunities and abilities Conductive Education has brought to our precious Evelyn.

