

A son with muscular dystrophy

Practising drawing a genetic family history - Worksheet 5

Introduction

Samantha Harris is concerned following the recent diagnosis of muscular dystrophy in her son Brendan. Use the family history information below to draw the family tree.

Information about Brendan's family

- Brendan Harris (24/12/01) has recently been diagnosed with a form of muscular dystrophy.
- His parents, Samantha (31/3/1976) and Timothy Harris (7/8/1974) are fit and well.
- Peter and Joan Carter also have a daughter Megan (3/1/1996) and a son Luke (7/10/1998), who are both fit and well.
- Samantha's parents are Peter (1954) and Joan Carter (1954); they are alive and well.
- Timothy and Samantha Harris also have a daughter Hannah (12/12/80) and a son Peter (1/3/83), who had muscular dystrophy and died on 19/11/2000.
- Hannah (12/12/1980) is married to Andrew Carter (11/10/1982).
- Hannah and Andrew have twins, Emily and Jake (5/4/2002).
- Timothy Harris's parents, David (1945) and Patricia Harris (1950) are alive and well.
- They also have a daughter, Michelle Harris (21/1/1970) who has a partner, Jared Cox (14/5/1972).
- Jared and Michelle had a pregnancy which miscarried at 11 weeks in 1995. They have a son, Carl Cox (17/5/1997) who is alive and well.
- Don't forget to date and sign the genetic family history pedigree.

Draw the genetic family history (pedigree) here

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Pedigree taken: <date>
Drawn by: <name>
Information given by: <name>

