

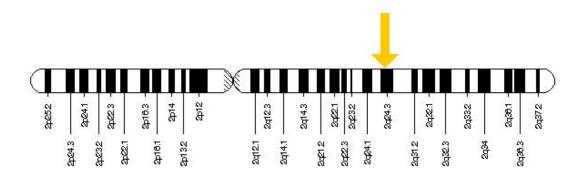
Help Us Celebrate!

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# International SCN2A Awareness Day is coming!

Located on chromosome 2 at position 24.3, the SCN2A gene encodes a neuronal voltage gated sodium ion channel, NaV1.2, that is primarily found in excitatory neurons throughout the brain. This gene, when mutated or deleted, is a leading cause of seizures, infantile spasms, autism spectrum disorder, and intellectual disability. Sodium ion channels are proteins in cells that allow sodium to pass to the inside and that play a key role in a cell's ability to generate and transmit electrical signals.

International SCN2A Awareness Day is a key part of the FamilieSCN2A Foundation mission to improve the lives of those affected by SCN2A related disorders through research, public awareness, family support and patient advocacy. Follow us on social media for the countdown to 2/24!



## **SCN2A Superhero Themed Shirts!**

The FamilieSCN2A Foundation has partnered with crowdfunding pioneer, Bonfire, to enable families, caregivers and advocates to create a risk free, cost free, and FUN way to fundraise while raising awareness about SCN2A related disorders. We are gearing up for International SCN2A Awareness Day on February 24, 2021. #SCN2A #CureSCN2A

All you need to do is **choose** which **design** you would like to **customize with your child or team name** and **promote** to your friends/family/teammates so they can can view and buy your customized shirts. They can even leave an optional donation!

These shirts are great for raising awareness any day but especially on International SCN2A Awareness Day, for our Annual Virtual 5K in October, during epilepsy or autism events, at any fundraisers you may host, and more!

### **DEADLINE:**

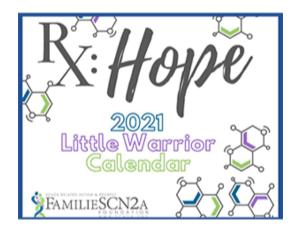
In order to receive your shirts by International SCN2A Awareness Day on February 24, 2021, campaign batches must close by February 3rd, 2021, for U.S. customers.

Please note: There is a 5 shirt minimum order required by Bonfire for the customized shirt to go to print.





**Start Your Campaign Now!** 





It's only January...not too late to order calendars...and our <u>online store</u> is always open for apparel. **NEW ITEM** this year: An SCN2A mug! Raise awareness simply by sipping your favorite hot beverage while on your next zoom call...you never know who might be watching!

[click on the apparel tab in the store to find the mug]



# **How Can YOU Help Celebrate?**

- Wear SCN2A apparel and post photos on social media using hashtags: #CureSCN2A #SCN2A
- Host an SCN2A fundraiser
- Meet up with other SCN2A families where you live locally if it is safe to do so (apply for the <u>Family Event Grant</u> to rent space in a park or go to a zoo)
- Create a virtual meet up with families in your area or attend our virtual meet up and Beats Class (see below) with Totally Adaptive
- Create your child's Personal Page to share via email and social media by visiting <a href="http://www.scn2a.org/personal.html#aware">http://www.scn2a.org/personal.html#aware</a>
- Change your Facebook profile to our Int'l SCN2A Awareness Day logo!

# Please Join Us!

When: 12:00 noon (Eastern) on Wednesday, 2/24

Where: Zoom

Why: Celebrate International SCN2A Awareness Day

What: Virtual Family Meet Up and Beats Class\*

RSVP: For the zoom link, check social media or email

community.support@scn2a.org



\*Rhythmic drumming to super fun music - bring drumming sticks, wooden spoons or use your hands.







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