

## 5 Fun Facts to Promote Down Syndrome Awareness

- 1. Down Syndrome occurs when an individual has a full or partial extra copy of chromosome 21.
- 2. Instead of "a Down Syndrome child" it should be "a child with Down Syndrome".

  People-first language puts the person before the diagnosis.
- 3. Adults with Down Syndrome attend work, run their own businesses, participate in

decisions that affect them, have meaningful relationships, and contribute to society.

- 4. Most adults with Down Syndrome are aware they have Down Syndrome.
- 5. 99% of people with Down Syndrome say they are happy with their lives.