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Around 65 million people around the world suffering from epilepsy are still waiting to be treated equally in society, still waiting to be accepted and loved.

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This World Epilepsy Day, also known as Purple Day or, Epilepsy Awareness Day, let's dispel myths, fears, misconceptions and prejudices that exist about epilepsy.



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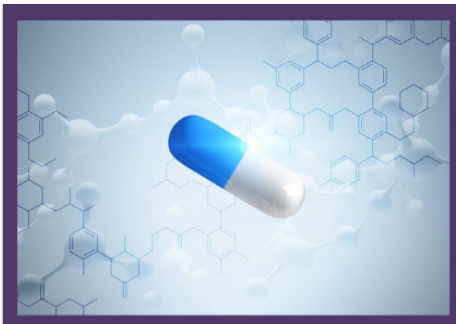
World Epilepsy Day or Purple Day is a worldwide event that's dedicated to raising awareness of epilepsy.

Nine- year-old Cassidy Megan from Nova Scotia, Canada, founded Epilepsy Awareness Day with the first event held on March 26, 2008. She named the idea after the color of lavender, which is the internationally recognized flower for epilepsy, and in this way, Purple Day was born.

Epilepsy MYTHS AND FACTS

Epilepsy is contagious.	You can't catch epilepsy from another person.
Epilepsy is genetic.	Epilepsy can be developed at any time.

- Around **65 million** people have epilepsy around the world.
- Epilepsy is the **4th** most common neurological disorder.
- The cause of epilepsy around **50%** of people remains unknown.
- **1/3** of people with epilepsy experience depression and anxiety.



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