

UNDERSTANDING • CARE • COMMUNITY

Marfan Syndrome: What It Is

A clear, supportive guide to signs, health monitoring and daily life.



What Is Marfan Syndrome?

Connective tissue is the body's support network.

Marfan syndrome is a genetic condition. It can affect bones, joints, eyes, the heart and blood vessels — and it varies from person to person.

Patterns can appear across the body

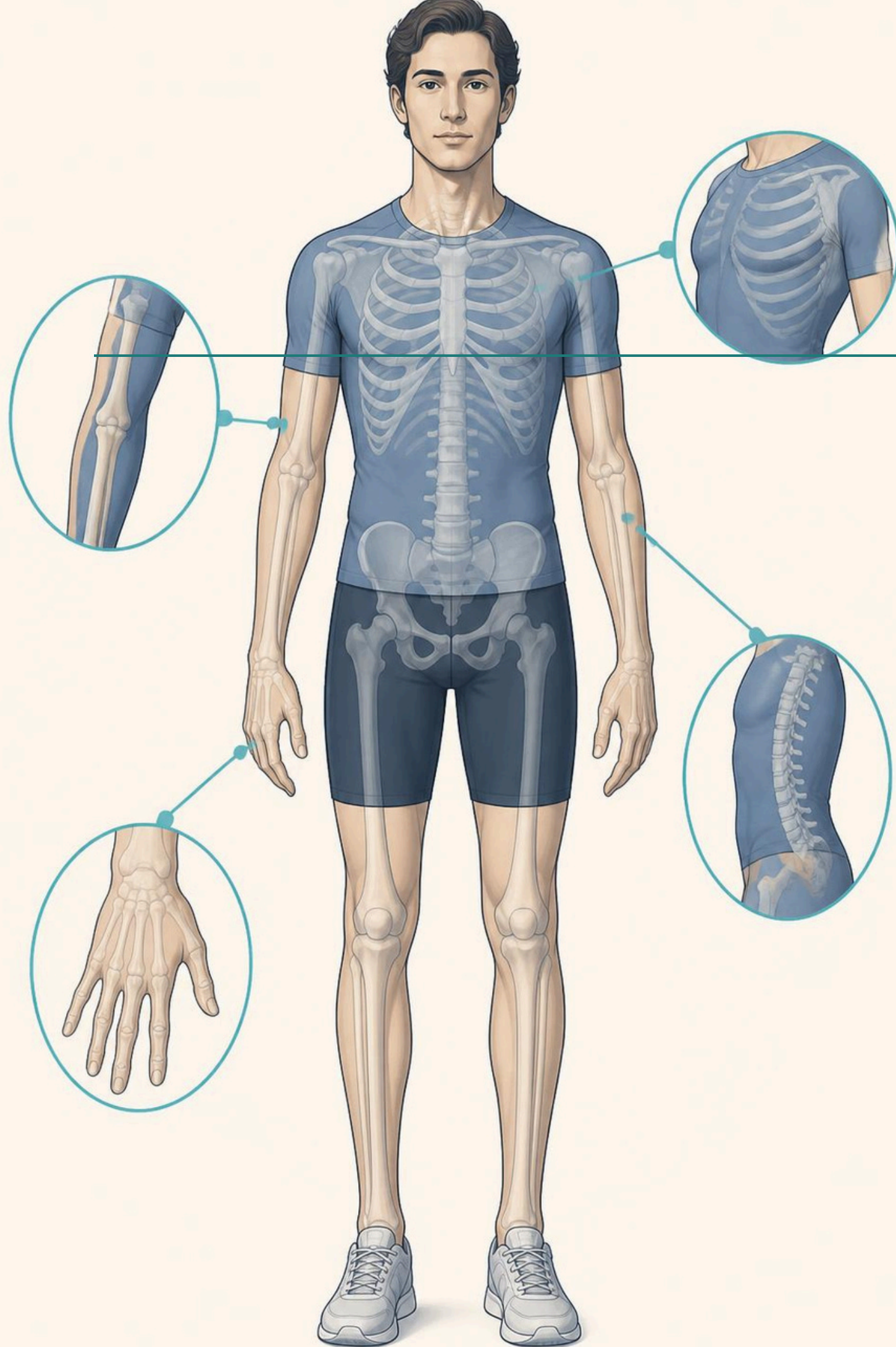
Tall stature
Long limbs & fingers

Flexible joints
Chest differences

Curved spine
Heart & aorta

Signs differ widely. A clinician looks at the whole picture — not one feature alone.

Musculoskeletal signs



01 Tall, slender build & long limbs

02 Flexible or hypermobile joints

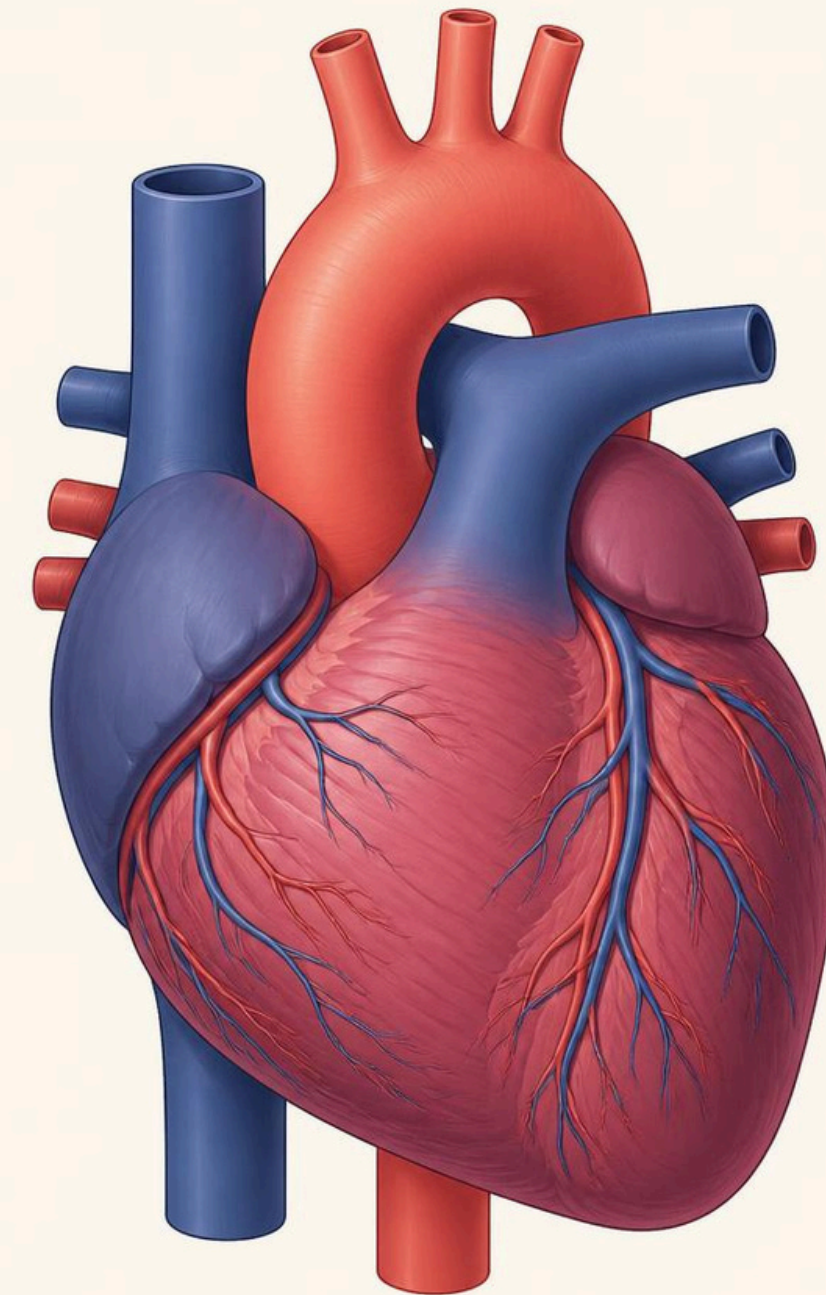
03 Chest shape differences

04 Scoliosis or curved spine

Monitor the heart and aorta

The aorta can enlarge over time. Regular imaging and cardiology visits help detect change early and guide care.

REGULAR CHECK-UPS MATTER



A full life, with thoughtful adjustments

Work. School. Family. Friendship.
Care plans may shape some activities —
not a person's possibilities.



Care works best as a team

CARDIOLOGY

Regular heart and aorta checks

MOVEMENT

Physical therapy and joint support

GENETICS

Counseling for individuals and families



Connection is part of care

Marfan Foundation

Online peer groups

Counseling services

Adaptive sports



You are not alone.

Shared experience creates understanding.
Support creates hope.



IMPORTANT REMINDER

Education informs. Your care team advises.

This presentation provides general information and is not a substitute for professional medical advice. Please consult your healthcare providers for personal diagnosis and treatment.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

**Know the signs.
Protect health.
Stay connected.**

01

Connective tissue can affect many body systems.

02

Heart and aorta monitoring is essential.

03

Coordinated care and community support help people live well.

Care + knowledge + community

Thank you.

Questions?

Learn more and find support through trusted healthcare providers and the Marfan Foundation.

