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# Spinal Muscular Atrophy of Childhood

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A group of congenital neurodegenerative disorders affecting motor neurons, resulting in muscle weakness and atrophy in childhood. Signs and symptoms include hypotonia, difficulty breathing, poor feeding, and flaccid quadriplegia.