



Lupus is a chronic autoimmune disease that most often affects women and can cause inflammation and pain throughout the body. Lupus has a physical, emotional, and economic impact. The Social Security Administration lists lupus in its Blue Book, therefore it may qualify as a disability when it meets specific conditions ([disability-benefits-help.org](http://disability-benefits-help.org)).

Statistically, 1.5 million people in the United States have lupus (Very Well Health) and women are 9 to 10 times more likely than men to develop lupus ([hopkinsmedicine.org](http://hopkinsmedicine.org))

Get involved: **Wear PURPLE on World Lupus Day, May 10<sup>th</sup>**. Find out more about common signs and symptoms by visiting [www.lupus.org](http://www.lupus.org) and/or [www.worldlupusday.org](http://www.worldlupusday.org)

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