



## Christine Mutena

Christine Mutena is a mother to two children, both with non-related rare genetic conditions. She is a special needs advocate as well as a rare disease advocate. She is an organizer in the Rare Disease Day campaign, Kenyan Chapter. Her passion for rare diseases is because she is directly afflicted by rare diseases namely Hemihyperplasia (formerly Hemihypertrophy), Hydrocephalus, Ring 18 Chromosome and Multiple Sclerosis.

She is the founder and administrator of an online support group for parents of children with special needs called [Stepping Stones Kenya](#). Stepping Stones KE seeks out to provide a haven for parents to share, vent, ask, and most importantly feel like they are not alone. The forum is not geared to any specific disability, neither is it prohibitive to parents only.