



## ***Organisation Anticonvulsant Syndromes Ireland***

### ***(OACS Ireland) 2020 Manifesto #GE2020***

***OACS Ireland would like assurances from the next Government that the following points are met in full.***

#### ***Acknowledgement for Families impacted!***

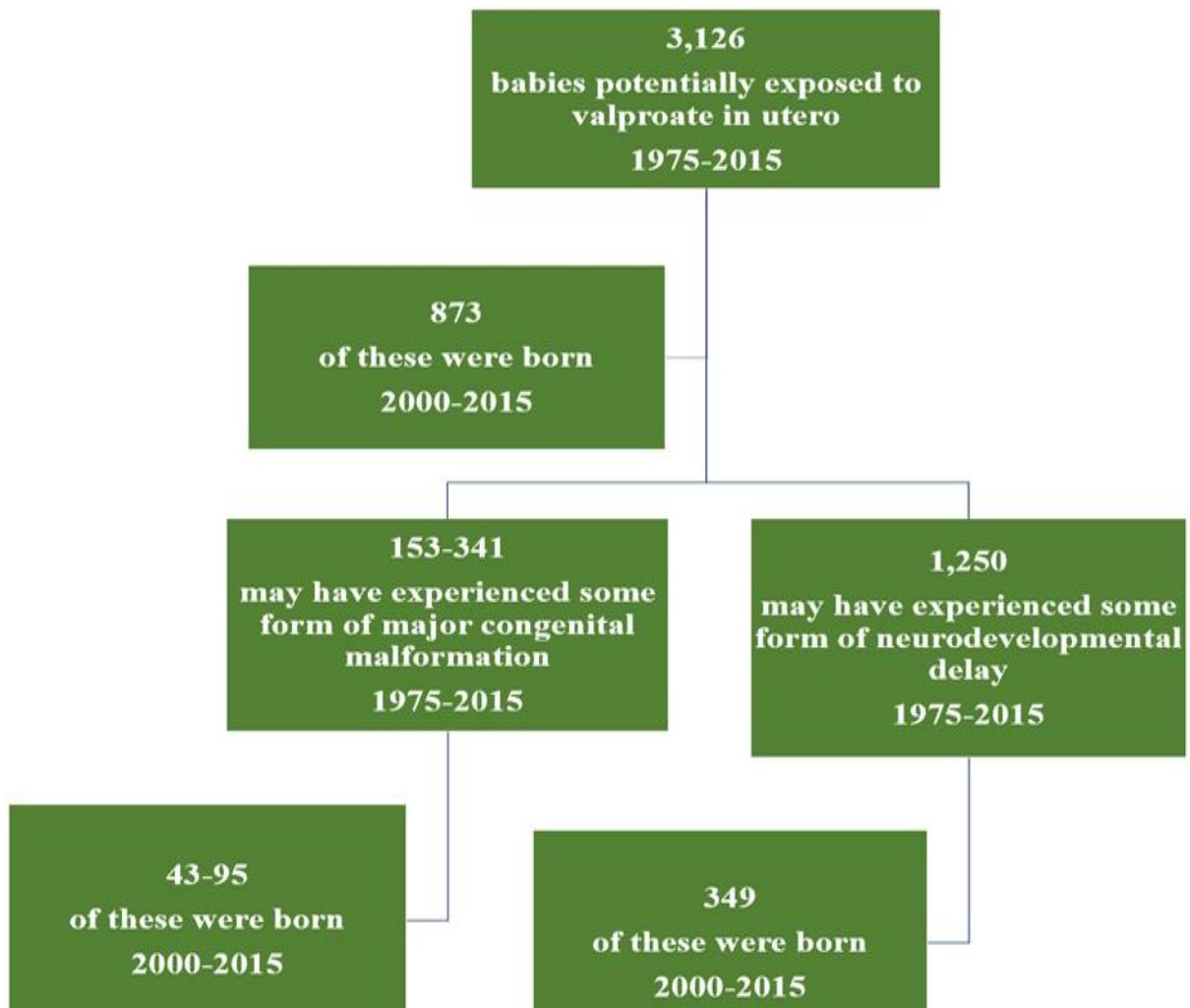
#### ***EPILIM (Sodium Valproate)***

***Epilim (Sodium Valproate) has been licensed in Ireland since 1975, families impacted want to know why Ireland has failed to acknowledge the hurt, pain, suffering, distress, anguish, trauma, torment and grief. This is only some of the damage that Epilim (Sodium Valproate) has caused.***

- It is noted that individuals with Foetal Anticonvulsant Syndromes (FACS) and/or Foetal Valproate Syndrome (FVS) are not affected by chance but by the failure to adequately inform and counsel women who were prescribed valproate medicines.***
- Further examination is required to establish liability but regardless of the causes, the Committee is of the opinion that the State has responsibility to assist all those affected by FACS.***
- The Committee recommends the establishment of an independent investigation to examine the historical use of valproate medicines in Ireland and into the ongoing effects of valproate medicines.***
- The Committee recommends that further consideration and examination is undertaken with regard to compensating FACS patients.***
- Epilim /Sodium Valproate.***
- Finally, we want an acknowledgement to the victims and families for the lives that have been, destroyed and for the wrong that has been caused by this drug since 1975.***



## *Here is the Number of The Irish Children Potentially*



## *Impacted by Epilim (Valproate!)*