

Closed neural tube defect

Rarer types of [neural tube defects](#) are called closed NTDs. Closed NTDs occur when the spinal defect is covered by skin.

Common examples of closed NTDs are [lipomyelomeningocele](#), [lipomeningocele](#), and [tethered cord](#).

see [Triple neural tube defect](#).

[Dermoid cysts](#) are thought to occur as a developmental anomaly in which embryonic ectoderm is trapped in the closing [neural tube](#) between the 5th-6th weeks of gestation.

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