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## **Bipolar Disorder is NOT a Myth**

Bipolar Disorder affects over five million Americans or 1% to 5% of the population.

Bipolar Disorder is genetic.

Bipolar Disorder attacks men and women equally.

Bipolar Disorder is chemical. It is induced by physiological neurotransmitter deficits.

Bipolar Disorder is the biological equivalent of faulty home wiring.

Bipolar Disorder is lethal - 20% of untreated bipolars die by suicide and 19% of treated bipolars die by suicide.

Bipolar Disorder often begins in late teens or early twenties, but it can begin at any age.

Bipolar Disorder can be controlled in **most** cases.

1 in 4 children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD or ADD) will develop Bipolar Disorder.

There is no cure, but there is highly effective treatment.

Many people with Bipolar Disorder can and do function normally in society.

The annual cost of all Affective Spectrum illnesses, including Bipolar Disorder, is over \$150 billion dollars: \$150,000,000,000.00

***Bipolar Disorder is a Chemical Flaw,  
Not A Character Flaw  
Embrace your uniqueness***