



**Adele McKenna**  
**Arthritis Walk Honoree**  
**Chicago, IL**

Adele was diagnosed with Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis (JIA) at the tender age of two. Today, she is a beautiful pre-teen who has never known life without JIA. She has overcome monumental challenges in her battle with arthritis and is doing very well. She looks forward to the day when she no longer has to take the very painful shots that are a part of her medical regimen.

Adele remains as active as possible and enjoys arts & crafts, volleyball and basketball. An only child, she stays busy with her dog, two cats, two turtles and two fish! She confronts climbing stairs and running with bravery, and manages to keep smiling.

In the face of everything she has had to endure, Adele has remained strong and we are in awe of her courage. We are so very proud to have her as our 2012 Arthritis Walk Honoree.

**About the Arthritis Foundation**

The Arthritis Foundation ([www.arthritis.org](http://www.arthritis.org)) is committed to raising awareness and reducing the unacceptable impact of arthritis, which strikes one in every five adults and 300,000 children, and is the nation's leading cause of disability. To conquer this painful, debilitating disease, we support education, research, advocacy and other vital programs and services.