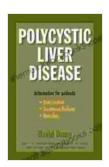
## Polycystic Liver Disease Information For Patients: A Comprehensive Guide

#### What is Polycystic Liver Disease (PLD)?

Polycystic liver disease (PLD) is a rare genetic disFree Download that affects the liver. It is characterized by the growth of multiple cysts, or fluid-filled sacs, in the liver.

PLD is usually inherited in an autosomal dominant manner, which means that only one copy of the affected gene is needed for the disFree Download to develop. The gene responsible for PLD is located on chromosome 19.



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#### Signs and Symptoms of PLD

PLD can cause a variety of signs and symptoms, depending on the severity of the disease. Some people with PLD may not have any symptoms, while others may experience:

- Abdominal pain
- Nausea and vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Jaundice (yellowing of the skin and eyes)
- Fatigue
- Weight loss
- Liver failure

#### **Diagnosis of PLD**

PLD is diagnosed based on a physical examination, medical history, and imaging tests. The doctor may feel the liver to check for cysts and Free Download imaging tests, such as an ultrasound or CT scan, to confirm the diagnosis.

#### **Treatment of PLD**

There is no cure for PLD, but treatment can help to manage the symptoms and prevent complications. Treatment options include:

- Medication to relieve pain and nausea
- Surgery to remove cysts or part of the liver
- Liver transplant

#### **Prognosis of PLD**

The prognosis of PLD varies depending on the severity of the disease. Some people with PLD may live a normal life, while others may experience complications that can lead to death.

**More Information About PLD** 

For more information about polycystic liver disease, please visit the

following websites:

Mayo Clinic

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases

Polycystic Liver Disease Foundation

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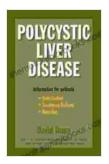
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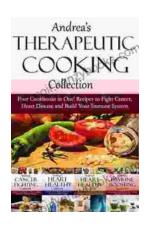
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