

Founded in 1973, the American Brain Tumor Association (ABTA) was first national organization committed to funding brain tumor research and providing education and information on all tumor types and all age groups.

RESEARCH

The ABTA has funded nearly \$30 million in brain tumor research. Through the funding of early career scientists, innovative discovery science and research collaborations, the ABTA is working toward advancing our understanding of the causes and effects of brain tumors while also striving to achieve improved diagnosis and treatment options.

SERVICES FOR PATIENTS, CAREGIVERS AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

Offering a wide range of publications, anytime learning webinars and educational programs, our goal is to ensure that patients and caregivers have the tools and information they need to make informed decisions. The ABTA also offers resources, such as the clinical practice guidelines and support group facilitator leader training program, to help health care professionals address the unique needs of brain tumor patients.

VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT

The **ABTA CommYOUnity™** is the first nationwide brain tumor volunteer network. This program provides national continuity of volunteer opportunities while allowing for flexibility of local needs, individual interests, levels of responsibility and time commitments. From serving as a peer mentor to sharing their story, volunteers help raise awareness of brain tumors and the ABTA.

80,000 new cases of primary brain tumors are expected to be diagnosed this year

There are nearly 700,000 people in the U.S. living with a primary brain and central nervous system tumor.

Symptoms vary based on type, size and/ or location of the tumor.

Common symptoms include headaches, seizures, loss of sensory (touch) and/or motor skills (movement), hearing loss, vision loss, fatigue and depression.

