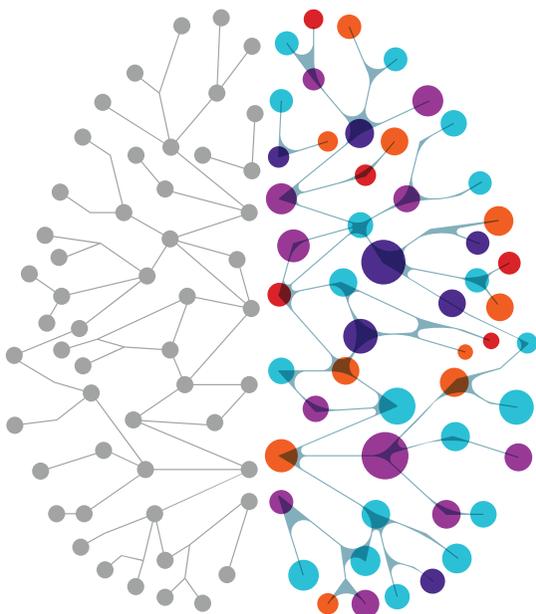




American Brain Tumor Association®

Providing and pursuing answers®



Founded in 1973, the American Brain Tumor Association (ABTA) was the first national nonprofit advocacy organization dedicated solely to brain tumors. For more than 40 years, the ABTA has provided comprehensive resources that support the complex needs of brain tumor patients and caregivers, as well as the critical funding of research in the pursuit of breakthroughs in brain tumor diagnosis, treatment and care.

OUR VISION

A future where not one life is lost to a brain tumor.

OUR MISSION

To advance the understanding and treatment of brain tumors with the goals of improving, extending and, ultimately, saving the lives of those impacted by a brain tumor diagnosis.

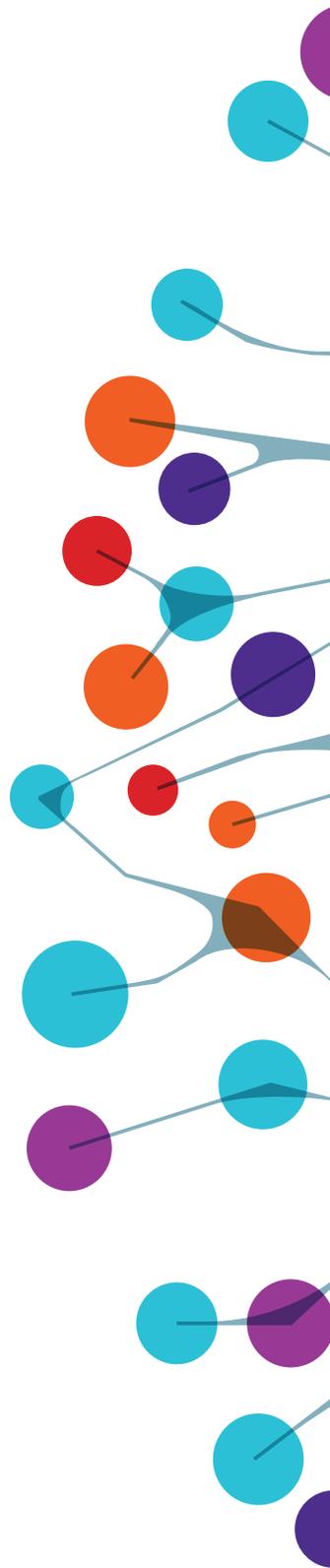
We do this through interactions and engagements with brain tumor patients and their families, collaborations with allied groups and organizations, and the funding of brain tumor research.

STRATEGIC PLAN

We created a long-range strategic plan that reflects our commitments to the brain tumor community.

Our impact is measured in these ways:

- Number of scientists involved in brain tumor research
- Research dollars we provide and influence
- Size of our reach into the health care provider community
- Growth in the number of people accessing information from the ABTA



RESEARCH

Funding research is critical to fulfilling the American Brain Tumor Association's (ABTA's) mission. Since 1976, the ABTA has awarded nearly \$30 million in grants to over 710 scientists from around the country and beyond.

- Through funding of early career scientists, the ABTA is seeding the field with talented investigators who have the potential to change the understanding of the causes, effects, diagnosis and treatment of brain tumors.
- The ABTA supports innovative discovery science that is focused on developing new drugs, new imaging techniques or advanced methods of diagnosing brain tumors.
- By collaborating with other research funders, both in and out of the brain tumor field, we are expanding the understanding of this disease while learning from other diseases.
- The ABTA supports research that will improve the quality of life for brain tumor patients, survivors, and caregivers.



The ABTA CommYOUunity™ is the first nationwide grassroots brain tumor volunteer network. CommYOUunity provides a continuity of volunteer opportunities, while allowing for flexibility of local needs, individual interests, and levels of responsibility and time commitments. Through the ABTA CommYOUunity, the ABTA is reaching more people, in more places and in more meaningful ways.



SERVICES FOR PATIENTS, CAREGIVERS AND HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

The American Brain Tumor Association is a trusted resource for brain tumor patients, caregivers and health care professionals around the country. From a wide range of publications to webinars and educational programs, our goal is to educate and empower patients and families so they are better equipped to make informed decisions.

- **The ABTA toll-free CareLine** 800-886-ABTA (2282) and email (abtacares@abta.org) are staffed by caring professionals who are available Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. CT to help connect patients and caregivers with information and resources that can help support them in the brain tumor journey.

- **ABTA Connections** is a 24/7 online support community that links patients, families and friends with each other for support and inspiration.



- **TrialConnect™** is a clinical trial matching service that connects brain tumor patients with appropriate clinical trials based on their tumor type and treatment history.



- **The ABTA's National Patient and Family Conference** is held annually in Chicago. Experts from around the country present the latest advances in brain tumor research, treatment and care.
- **Regional Patient & Family Meetings** offer educational opportunities—at no charge—for patients, families and caregivers to learn the most up-to-date brain tumor information from leading experts and to network with others in their community.



- In conjunction with the American Association of Neurological Nurses (AANN), the ABTA developed **Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Care of an Adult and Pediatric Brain Tumor Patient** for nurses providing care for a brain tumor patient.
- The ABTA provides continuing education units (CEUs) to nurses and social workers through its **Support Group Facilitator Training Program**. Those without a clinical background are also welcome to participate in this free four course online training program.



RESOURCES

The ABTA website, www.abta.org, is recognized internationally as a comprehensive and trustworthy source of brain tumor information on all tumor types and for all age groups. Here you can find information about:

- Information for the newly diagnosed.
- Adult and pediatric brain tumors — anatomy, tumor types, diagnosis, treatment and other helpful information.
- Caregiver Resource Centers for adults and pediatric care.
- An extensive portfolio of patient publications related to tumor types and treatment options, developed with clinical experts. Most are available for download in Spanish. All are available as free downloads.
- Free educational webinars from nationally-recognized health, medical and scientific experts.
- Local resources, including support groups and patient education conferences.
- Sharing your brain tumor story and registering for communications that will keep you current on research and treatment developments and ABTA programs and services.
- Opportunities to connect with the brain tumor community and the ABTA on social media.





GET INVOLVED

As a non-profit organization, research grants and comprehensive programs are made possible through the generosity of our donors. From donating a gift to volunteering time, even the smallest contribution can make a big impact. Consider these opportunities to get involved:

- **ABTA CommYOUity** —Join our national volunteer network to raise awareness about the ABTA and brain tumors in your community.



- **BT5K Breakthrough for Brain Tumors Run & Walk** — Participate in one of our nationwide 5K events.



- **Team Breakthrough** — Participate in endurance events across the country while raising funds to support the ABTA's mission.



- **Breakthrough Your Way** — Create your own fundraising event by customizing it to match your interest.



- **Find other ways to give** — abta.org/donate



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