



Brain Tumor Foundation (BTF) of India is a Charity dedicated to patients with brain tumors and their families. Although relatively rare (comprising only 2% of all neoplasms), brain tumors are the leading cause of disability and second leading cause of death from cancer in children and young adults worldwide. Widespread variability in presentation, diverse histological spectrum, distinctive molecular biology coupled with existent disparity in access to health care, socio-cultural diversity, and inequity with resultant non-uniformity of treatment pose significant challenges to the neuro-oncology community in improving outcomes for patients with brain tumors. BTF was established in 1999 with the aim of providing financial, logistic, social, vocational, and educational support to these patients.

The Foundation has been providing funding support for investigations (MRI, PET, molecular diagnostics), therapy (neuro-surgery, radiation therapy, chemotherapy, targeted therapy) and rehabilitation (physical, occupational, psycho-social) touching and impacting the lives of over 10000 patients and their families in the last two decades of its existence at Tata Memorial Hospital (TMH), Mumbai. BTF has been interacting and engaging with patients and their care-givers through monthly support group meetings. In addition, it hosts an Annual Art Festival showcasing the artistic talents of patients with brain tumors. Award-winning paintings and drawings from this Festival have featured on the cover page of prestigious medical journals and have been recognized both nationally and internationally as Greeting Cards and through online competitive exhibitions. An educational cartoon film (Bust That Noma) for children with cancer produced by the Foundation has won critical acclaim from the parent community. A web-based information portal, a brain tumor helpline for online support, and brain tumor information

booklet in English and several Indian vernacular languages provide patients and family members the necessary and requisite information on brain tumors in a simple and succinct manner. BTF has also provided salary support for human resources (research fellow and occupational therapist) in the Neuro-Oncology unit at TMH since the last two decades. More recently, the Foundation has initiated seed-funding to investigator-initiated research studies and clinical trials relevant to the brain tumor community of the country.

All activities and initiatives of the Foundation have been supported through generous philanthropic funding and voluntary donations provided by our patients, family members, care-givers, and friends who continue to support us in our mission to help every single patient diagnosed with a brain tumor. It is your turn now to step forward to support the cause intended to help patients with brain tumors.

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