

Childhood Brain Tumors

Patient Education Resource Center (PERC)
Information Guide

Brochures

- National Cancer Institute. **What You Need to Know about Brain Tumors.** A printable version available at: <http://www.cancer.gov>
- Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the United States.
 - **Basic Facts About Pediatric Brain and Spinal Cord Tumors**
 - **Questions For Your Medical Care Team When Your Child Has a Brain Tumor**

Access online at: <http://www.pbtfus.org>. Brochures describing different tumor types may ordered free of charge on the website or by calling 828-665-689.

Books

- Children's Brain Tumor Foundation. **A Resource Guide for Parents of Children with Brain Or Spinal Cord Tumors.** 4rd ed. New York: Children's Brain Tumor Foundation, 2006. Order a free at: http://cbtf.org/cms/resource_guide
- American Brain Tumor Association. **Primer of Brain Tumors : A Patient's Reference Manual. 8th ed.** Des Plains, IL: American Brain Tumor Association, 2004. A printable version available online at: <http://www.abta.org>
- Black, Peter M. : Hogan, Sharon Cloud. **Living with a Brain Tumor : Dr. Peter Black's Guide to Taking Control of Your Treatment.** New York : Henry Holt, 2006.
- Stark-Vance, Virginia. **100 Questions & Answers about Brain Tumors.** 2nd ed. Sudbury, MA: Jones and Bartlett, 2010.
- Zeltzer, Paul M. **Brain Tumors : Finding the Ark : Meeting the Challenges of Treatment Choices, Side effects, Children's Unique Needs, Healthcare Costs & Long Term Adjustment.** Encino, Cal : Shilysca Press, 2006.

The purpose of this information guide is to direct patients and health care professionals to sources of information on cancer and related topics, it does not constitute an endorsement of the information contained in the resources. This list is not meant to be comprehensive, but rather to provide starting points for Information seeking.

All listed materials can be found at the Patient Education Resource Center of the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center in room B1-361. An online version of this document can be found at: http://www.cancer.med.umich.edu/support/information_guides.shtml

Web Resources

- **American Brain Tumor Association.**
<http://www.abta.org>
This site includes tumor specific information as well as a dictionary and information on living with coping with a brain tumor. Has information for children and siblings.
- **The Brain Tumor Society online**
<http://www.tbts.org>
The Patients Resources section included detailed medical information including pathology, nutrition and lay-language summaries of published professional articles. This site also includes Information about support services for patients and families.
- **Clinical Trials and Noteworthy Treatments for Brain Tumors**
<http://www.virtualtrials.com>
This site has a comprehensive database of brain tumor clinical trials, articles, and directories of hospitals and physicians.
- **Childhood Brain Tumor Foundation**
<http://www.childhoodbraintumor.org>
Includes articles, medical news and lectures about children's brain tumors.
- **Children's Brain Tumor Foundation**
<http://www.cbtf.org>
This site has information on supporting the child with a brain tumor in the hospital, school, and home. Also includes a detailed section on various organizations offering patient support services for pediatric brain tumor patients and families.
- **National Brain Tumor Foundation**
<http://www.braintumor.org>
This site has information on medical and support issues, frequently asked questions and medical news.

Email Groups (Listservs)

- **BRAINTMR** – This email group discusses all adult and pediatric brain tumors. To subscribe go to: <http://www.virtualtrials.com/brntmr.cfm>. This page also provides access to email groups focusing of specific types of childhood brain tumors.

Organizations

- **Childhood Brain Tumor Foundation**
<http://www.childhoodbraintumor.org>
Phone: (301) 515-2900
- **Children's Brain Tumor Foundation**
<http://www.cbtf.org>
Phone: (212) 367-9000
- **American Brain Tumor Association**
<http://www.abta.org>
Phone: (847) 827-9910; Fax: (847) 827-800, (847) 886-2282
- **The Brain Tumor Society**
<http://www.tbts.org>
Phone: (800) 770-8287; Fax (617) 924-9998
- **Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the United States**
<http://www.pbtfus.org>
Phone: (800) 253-6530; Fax: (828) 665-6894

This document is not intended to take the place of the care and attention of your personal physician or other professional medical services. Our aim is to promote active participation in your care and treatment by providing information and education. Questions about individual health concerns or specific treatment options should be discussed with your physician.

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