

Childhood Brain Tumors

Patient Education Resource Center (PERC)
Information Guide

Brochures

- Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. **Learning and Living with Cancer: Advocating for your Child's Educational Needs.**
A printable version is available at:
<http://www.leukemia-lymphoma.org/>
- National Cancer Institute.
 - **What You Need to Know about Brain Tumors**
 - **Young People with Cancer: A Handbook for Parents**Printable versions are 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** (English and Spanish)Order free of charge by calling 828-665-689 or access online at:
<http://www.pbtfus.org/>

Books

- Children's Brain Tumor Foundation. **A Resource Guide for Parents of Children with Brain or Spinal Cord Tumors.** 4th ed. New York: Children's Brain Tumor Foundation, 2006.
View or 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 Plaines, IL: American Brain Tumor Association, 2004.
A printable version available online at: <http://www.abta.org/>
- Black, Peter M. and Sharon Cloud Hogan. **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.

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

- 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, CA: Shilysca Press, 2006.

Web Resources

- **American Brain Tumor Association**
 - Access at: <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.
- **American Cancer Society – Brain/CNS Tumors in Children Detailed Guide**
 - Access at: <http://www.cancer.org/>
 - Click on "Learn About Cancer"
 - Select "Brain/CNS Tumors in Children" and click "Go"
 - Click on "Brain/CNS Tumors in Children Detailed Guide"
- **Clinical Trials and Noteworthy Treatments for Brain Tumors**
 - Access at: <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**
 - Access at: <http://www.childhoodbraintumor.org/>
 - Includes articles, medical news and lectures about children's brain tumors.
- **Children's Brain Tumor Foundation**
 - Access at: <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.
- **CureSearch – Brain Tumors**
 - This site has sections on Brain Tumors at different stages.
 - Access at: <http://www.curesearch.org/>
 - Click on "For Parents/Families" or "For Patients"
 - Select a stage from "Newly Diagnosed" to "After Treatment"
 - Select "Brain Tumors" from the list.

- **National Brain Tumor Foundation**

→ Access at: <http://www.braintumor.org/>

This site has information on medical and support issues, frequently asked questions and medical news.

Patient Support Organizations

- **American Brain Tumor Association**

Website: <http://www.abta.org/>

Phone: (847) 827-9910;

Fax: (847) 827-800, (847) 886-2282

- **Childhood Brain Tumor Foundation**

Website: <http://www.childhoodbraintumor.org/>

Phone: (301) 515-2900

- **Children's Brain Tumor Foundation**

Website: <http://www.cbtf.org/>

Phone: (212) 367-9000

- **National Brain Tumor Society**

Website: <http://www.braintumor.org/>

Phone: (800) 770-8287

Fax (617) 924-9998

- **Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the United States**

Website: <http://www.pbtfus.org/>

Phone: (800) 253-6530

Fax: (828) 665-6894

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