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## Spring Sprint in Support of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada

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### **Fredericton Brain Tumour Survivors Come Together at Spring Sprint**

(Fredericton, NB, May 19, 2011) Brain tumour patients, survivors, their family and friends are coming together on Saturday, May 28 for the annual Spring Sprint. The event is run by a dedicated group of local volunteers determined to improve the lives of those affected by a brain tumour. The Fredericton event is part of the national effort by Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada to raise funds and awareness about brain tumours.

Funds raised go to support programs and services for brain tumour patients and their families. An example of these programs is the Fredericton Support Group launched in 2010. The support group offers patients and caregivers the opportunity to come together, to learn from one another and find support on the journey with a brain tumour.

Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre hosts this day of courage and hope where participants will gather to celebrate life and take part in a 2.5km and 5km walk/run. In addition to raising awareness about the 55,000 Canadians affected by a brain tumour and funds for programs like the local support group, Spring Sprint also leads to critical research into the cause of and better treatments for brain tumours.

“The prospect for all of the research that will be conducted as a result of the funds raised is very exciting,” says Susan Marshall, Executive Director of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. “Our vision is to find a cure for brain tumours and to improve the quality of life for those affected and we all move closer to this reality with the efforts of Spring Sprint.”

On Saturday, May 28, brain tumour survivors along with their family and friends from the Fredericton region, will join the thousands across Canada who will don their sneakers to participate in the Spring Sprint. This event is one of 21 occurring across Canada between mid-April and mid-June. The national goal is to raise \$1.5 million to reach every Canadian affected by a brain tumour with support, information, education and research. Each step is one step closer to imagining a cure.

Everyone is invited to register online at [www.springsprint.ca](http://www.springsprint.ca) or by telephone at 1-800-265-5106.

#### **Event: Spring Sprint for Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada**

**3.5km walk and run for walkers, joggers and runners.**

**Dates: Saturday, May 28, 2011: Check-in: 9:30 a.m. & Start: 11:00 a.m.**

**Location: Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre, Fredericton, NB**

**Register: [www.springsprint.ca](http://www.springsprint.ca) or 1 800 265 5106**

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### **About Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada**

There are an estimated 55,000 people in this country living with a brain tumour and 10,000 new cases are diagnosed each year, many of those are children. Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada provides information through a free, comprehensive Patient Resource Handbook, live and web-based annual education events, and support through a Canada-wide, toll-free 1-800 line, website ([www.braintumour.ca](http://www.braintumour.ca)), and 23 support groups that meet monthly across Canada. Brain tumour research is also supported through an annual grants-in-aid program. To date \$2.75 million has been directed to brain tumour research. Please visit Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada's website at **[www.braintumour.ca](http://www.braintumour.ca)**.