

14th Annual Saskatoon Brain Tumour Walk

Family of young brain tumour survivor walk to spread more awareness

SASKATOON, SK, May 28, 2018 – Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is excited to host a Brain Tumour Walk in Saskatoon on Sunday, June 3, 2018 in support of anyone affected by a brain tumour. This annual fundraiser brings hope to the estimated 55,000 Canadians living with a brain tumour and the dozens more who are diagnosed each day.

“Patients and families are the heart of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada and we want them to know they are not alone. Together we walk to raise awareness about this often devastating disease and to let our community know we are to help,” says Susan Marshall, CEO.

With more than 120 types of tumours, they are complex and can be difficult to treat. Symptoms can range from hearing loss to hormonal problems. Brain tumours can also affect vision, memory, balance and mobility.

Marla Bachman will never forget the day she was told her son, 9, had a brain tumour. Joel endured surgery, 31 days of radiation and six months of intense chemotherapy.

“The whole world came crashing down on us. Seeing him in excruciating pain, while waiting for surgery, was something that I will never be able to erase from my mind,” says Bachman. “Brain tumours do not discriminate, nor are they rare. Brain tumours are the leading cause of cancer death in children 14 and under.”

The family will participate in the Brain Tumour Walk for the first time this year to connect and support other families with similar stories and to raise more awareness for brain tumours in children.

Their fundraising efforts also support Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada’s specialized resources, support programs, advocacy efforts and fund critical research for better patient care and ultimately to find the cause of and cure for brain tumours.

What: Saskatoon Brain Tumour Walk

When: Sunday, June 3, 2018 (9:45 a.m. Survivor Photo, 9:50 a.m. Ceremony, 10 a.m. Walk)

Where: Archibald Arena, 1410 Windsor St., Saskatoon

About the Brain Tumour Walk events

By fundraising as part of a Brain Tumour Walk, patients, survivors, family and friends join the nationwide movement to end brain tumours. For more than two decades, Brain Tumour Walks have been the community event to bring together thousands of Canadians in tribute to and in memory of people affected by a brain tumour. **For more information about the 20+ Brain Tumour Walks taking place across Canada in 2018, visit www.BrainTumourWalk.ca.**

About Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada: Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is the only national charity offering information and support to patients affected by any kind of brain tumour – be it



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cancerous, non-malignant or metastases. The organization funds ground-breaking research across North America and, since 1982, has dedicated over \$6.2 million to finding a cure and improving treatment for brain tumour survivors. Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is funded solely through generous contributions from individuals, corporations, organizations, employee groups and special events. Learn more at Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada's website: www.BrainTumour.ca.

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