

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada launches GOcervo!

Childhood brain tumour program expands into Quebec

London, ON – March 13, 2018 – Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada is excited to announce the expansion of our pediatric support program into Quebec where we will bring more children with a brain tumour and their families together.

BrainWAVE, a program for families with a child under 19 with a brain tumour, is now available in four provinces with the launch of its French program, GOcervo, in Quebec this month.

“The needs of these families are varied and important because brain tumours not only change the lives of the children who are affected, but also of their families. Thanks to GOcervo, we can now better support them during this difficult time,” said Maryse Tremblay, Support Services Specialist for Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada in Quebec.

Several times a year, BrainWAVE families are invited to attend fun activities for free at sports events or family attractions where all members of the immediate family get a welcome break from treatments and doctors' visits.

“GOcervo goes beyond activities because it allows families to build a support network. This program complements the other resources we provide to families such as support groups and handbooks on pediatric brain tumours,” said Tremblay.

About a dozen families recently attended the first GOcervo event last week at the Bell Center in Montreal to watch Disney on Ice with tickets donated by Proaction Foundation

“Thank you for the opportunity to have these special events, which are a great chance for us to relax and enjoy the present moment with our family while forgetting the reality of the disease,” said Natalia Moreira of Montreal, whose 11-year-old daughter Adriana has a brain tumour.

GOcervo will offer four events this year, two in Montreal and two in Quebec City, with financial support from CIBC. The next event will take place in Quebec City this spring.

Information on BrainWAVE and GOcervo can be found on our website at www.braintumour.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 cancerous, non-malignant or metastases. The organization funds ground-breaking research across North America and, since 1982, has dedicated over \$5.8 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:

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