

## **Media Release**



## 17th Annual Sudbury Brain Tumour Walk

"It's a chance to raise awareness about the brain tumour cause — and you never know who you get to meet."

SUDBURY, ON, May 23, 2019 – On Saturday, June 1, 2019, Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada returns to Sudbury for its 17th annual Brain Tumour Walk. Joining this year's event is two-time brain tumour survivor, Sarah McCue.

"Survivors like Sarah and their families are the heart of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada, and for 17 years we've had the privilege to walk with this incredible group of people affected by an often-devastating disease," says Susan Marshall, CEO.

Sarah was only 17 years old when she was first diagnosed with a meningioma brain tumour and underwent three cranial surgeries to remove the mass. For almost ten years, Sarah was tumour-free but then a seizure would result in the second diagnosis of a meningioma. More surgery was needed to take out as much of the mass as possible – and despite it being a non-cancerous form of brain tumour, radiation treated the remaining tissue that could not be surgically removed.

Today Sarah is completing her diploma to become a library technician and says Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada's local support group, which is funded in part by dollars raised at the Walk event, had a significant impact on her recovery. "Knowing I was not alone on this journey and that others have gone through similar situations helped me heal emotionally."

What: Sudbury Brain Tumour Walk
When: Saturday, June 1, 2019
Registration: 9:00am
Survivor Photo: 10:00am

Opening Ceremonies: 10:10am; Walk Begins: 10:30am

Where: Kivi Park, 4472 Long Lake Road

**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 \$6.9 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 like the Brain Tumour Walk events. Learn more at Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada's website: <a href="https://www.BrainTumour.ca">www.BrainTumour.ca</a>.

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To schedule an interview with brain tumour survivor Sarah McCue or for more information about the 17<sup>th</sup> Sudbury Brain Tumour Walk, please contact:

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