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Registration for [Head to the Hill 2020](#) is open! Your participation is critical to our efforts to improve conditions for brain tumor patients and their families.

Join us and volunteer advocates – patients, survivors, caregivers, family, friends, medical professionals, and researchers – from across the United States at Head to the Hill to tell Congress what our community needs: more research, better treatments, and improved, comprehensive care from the first moment of diagnosis. We will urge Congress to change the status quo by [passing legislation that helps develop treatments and improves healthcare for brain tumor patients and their families.](#)

This year, we are also extending a special invitation to older children and teens to attend and join in our new young advocate training.

Head to the Hill is part of the Head for Hope weekend in Washington, DC, a series of events for the brain tumor community to unite, raise needed funds, and advocate. We invite you to join all or some of the events happening that weekend, including the [Race for Hope DC](#), which takes place on Sunday, May 3rd. We even have a [Head to the Hill team](#), and invite you to join us.

Want to know more about Head to the Hill? Watch our previously recorded webinar, [“The Head to the Hill Experience.”](#) and hear directly from your fellow advocates.

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Head to the Hill Scholarship Fund

Attending Head to the Hill last year, by far, was the most profound experience I've had as a brain tumor survivor and none of it would've been possible had I not been the recipient of a scholarship from NBTS. To serve as a delegate & share my story with our congressional leaders alongside other patients, survivors and their loved ones, advocating for the entire brain tumor community, was life-changing. — Billi Ewing, Ohio Advocate

As our wonderful Ohio advocate, Billi, indicated, Head to the Hill represents a powerful opportunity for the brain tumor community to unite. Unfortunately, high medical costs often create a financial strain for patients and families, making travel to Washington, DC unaffordable. Philanthropic support is critical to ensuring that all advocates are able to attend, regardless of their financial circumstances.

If you are able, we hope you will consider supporting the [Head to the Hill Scholarship Fund](#) to enable more brain tumor advocates to participate in this powerful civic experience, and better represent the entire U.S. brain tumor community.

Interested in applying for a scholarship? Please [fill out a scholarship application.](#)

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Research through the Department of Defense (PRCRP)

Each year, the National Brain Tumor Society asks our advocates to contact their members of Congress in support of the Peer Reviewed Cancer Research Program, a medical research program within the Department of Defense (DOD). Our advocates have been successful in increasing funding for the program each year, as well as making sure that brain cancer and pediatric brain tumor research are topics eligible for funding.

The DOD just released information on which research projects received funding in Fiscal Year 2019, and brain cancer and pediatric brain tumor research received a combined \$9 million in funding (\$5.7 million for brain cancer and \$3.4 million for pediatric brain tumors)! This funding would not have been available if we had not advocated for this program with our members of Congress. We'll keep you posted on ways to engage this year to guarantee that funds remain available for brain cancer and pediatric brain tumor research projects.

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