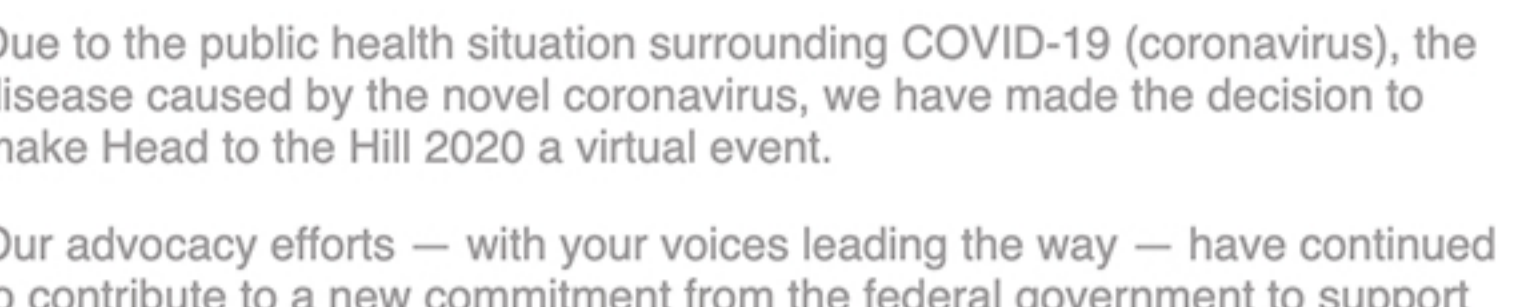


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Head to the Hill



Head to the Hill is Now Virtual!

Due to the public health situation surrounding COVID-19 (coronavirus), the disease caused by the novel coronavirus, we have made the decision to make Head to the Hill 2020 a virtual event.

Our advocacy efforts — with your voices leading the way — have continued to contribute to a new commitment from the federal government to support cancer research and access to care on multiple fronts. **We can't let all of this momentum slow down now.** There is more work to do, and we must keep moving forward.

The core goal of Head to the Hill remains the same — a united effort to ensure the needs of the brain tumor community are heard loud and clear. During our virtual event, we'll offer training and presentations to you via an online platform. You'll still get the same level of in-depth knowledge related to our policy agenda and how to effectively communicate these positions to members of Congress and their staff. Additionally, we'll use online tools like social media, email, and our action alert platform to ensure that Congress gets our message on May 5! We are also exploring creative options for you to connect with your fellow advocates during the event.

Despite being a virtual event, we still need everyone who is planning on participating to register. [Sign up today](#) to add your voice to the chorus and bring positive change to the brain tumor community.

If you have any specific questions or concerns, please contact advocacy@braintumor.org.

Register for Head to the Hill

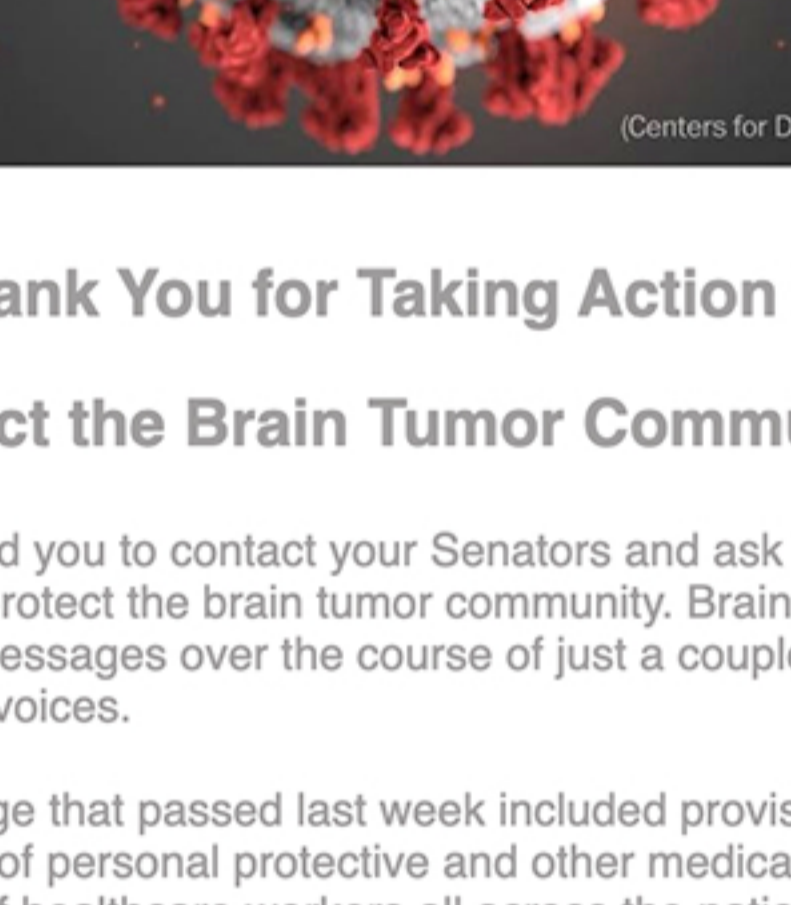
If you're curious about what going virtual means for this event, we'll be conducting a webinar entitled "Going Virtual: What to expect for Head to the Hill 2020" on Wednesday, April 8 at noon Eastern/11 am Central/10 am Mountain/9 am Pacific. All Head to the Hill participants will be sent the webinar information, or you can [sign up for the webinar here](#). We recognize that attending live webinars can be challenging these days while juggling work, caregiving, and more at home, so we'll be recording the webinar and sharing the link with all those who register.

Sign up for Webinar

Survey: Live Training

As part of our Head to the Hill virtual event, we will be conducting a one-hour live training to review what you have learned in the training modules we'll be providing to participants, prepare for our day of action, and answer any questions you may have about our virtual event. If you are planning to participate in Head to the Hill, we'd like to hear from you about the most convenient time for this live training. Please complete the survey to let us know your preferences.

Take Survey



(Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

Thank You for Taking Action to Protect the Brain Tumor Community

Last week, we urged you to contact your Senators and ask for provisions in the CARES Act to protect the brain tumor community. Brain tumor advocates sent close to 500 messages over the course of just a couple of days, and the Senate heard your voices.

The CARES package that passed last week included provisions to increase the production rate of personal protective and other medical equipment to meet the demand of healthcare workers all across the nation, increase funding to allow federal, state and local public health agencies to purchase personal protective equipment, and provide tax relief for charitable organizations. We will continue working with Congress in the coming weeks and months to make sure that the unique needs of brain tumor patients continue to be met throughout the current public health situation.



Call to Action:

Raise Awareness of DIPG

A resolution has been introduced in Congress to support proclaiming May 17th as DIPG Awareness Day. Despite being a rare tumor, DIPG (Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma) is the leading cause of death due to brain tumors in children. DIPG is a particularly terrible disease that leaves children and their families with limited options and limited time.

We were proud to have had NBTS CEO, David Arons, participate on a panel at the recent DIPG Awareness Day Congressional Briefing, which was attended by many amazing families, advocates, and researchers on Capitol Hill. National Brain Tumor Society encourages Congress to support this resolution and proclaim May 17th as DIPG Awareness Day. Take action now to ask your Member of Congress to support this resolution.

Take Action

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The United States Constitution requires that the U.S. count its population every ten years. The 2020 Census will determine congressional representation, inform hundreds of billions in federal funding every year — including funding for hospitals and health clinics — and provide data that will impact communities for the next decade. Visit [2020census.gov](https://www.census.gov) today to make sure you're counted!

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