



AGENDA / Atlanta, GA / April 6, 2019

This Meeting is Being Held in Partnership with Piedmont Atlanta Hospital



Time	Topic	Room
8:30 am	<p>Registration, Check-In and Resource Fair Opens</p> <p>(Light Breakfast)</p>	Rich Auditorium Foyer
9:00 am – 9:15 am	<p>Welcome & Introductions</p> <p>Emily Lippert Program Manager American Brain Tumor Association</p> <p><u>Program Chair:</u> Erin M. Dunbar, M.D. <i>Director of Neuro-Oncology</i> <i>Piedmont Brain Tumor Center</i></p>	Rich Auditorium
9:15 am – 9:30 am	<p>About The ABTA</p> <p>Nicole Willmarth, PhD Chief Mission Officer American Brain Tumor Association</p>	Rich Auditorium
9:30 am – 10:15 am	<p>Brain Tumor Board</p> <p><u>Facilitator:</u> Erin M. Dunbar, M.D. <i>Director of Neuro-Oncology</i> <i>Piedmont Brain Tumor Center</i></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u> D. Jay McCracken, M.D. <i>Neurosurgical Oncologist</i> <i>Emory University</i></p> <p>Samantha Shams, M.D. <i>Medical Oncologist</i> <i>Piedmont Cancer Institute</i></p> <p>Lindsey Lowder, DO, FCAP, FASCP <i>Neuropathologist</i> <i>Emory University</i></p> <p>Chad Adam Levitt, MD <i>Radiation Oncologist</i> <i>Piedmont Healthcare</i></p> <p>Learn how a multi-disciplinary panel of expert clinicians review brain tumor cases and how they work together to determine the best course of treatment for patients. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions.</p>	Rich Auditorium





10:15 am-11:00am	<p>Meet the Experts Breakout Session</p> <p>Talk with the Brain Tumor Board Panel experts about individual tumor types and get your questions answered. Attendees will breakout into tumor type discussion groups led by recognized authorities in their fields. Low Grade, High Grade, & Tumors of the Brain Lining & Nerves will be covered.</p>	TBD
11:00 am – 11:15 am	<p>Break, Networking and Resource Fair</p>	
11:15 am – 12:15 pm	<p>Living with a Brain Tumor: Patient & Caregiver Panel</p> <p><u>Facilitator:</u> Erin M. Dunbar, M.D. <i>Director of Neuro-Oncology Piedmont Brain Tumor Center</i></p> <p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Local patients and caregivers share their journey as they are navigating through the process of living with a brain tumor or caring for their loved one who has a brain tumor. This session will give attendees the opportunity to participate in a discussion and relate with other patients and caregivers who are walking through a similar journey. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions to the patient and caregiver panelists.</p>	Rich Auditorium
12:15 am – 1:00 pm	<p>Lunch, Networking and Resource Fair</p> <p>(Lunch Provided)</p>	
1:00 pm – 1:45 pm	<p>Advancements in Care & Symptom Management</p> <p>Roy E. Strowd III, MD <i>Neurologist Wake Forest Baptist Health</i></p> <p>Learn about the latest advances in care & symptom management. This session will provide you with information and practical tools to help you understand the continual advances in care and how you can take control of your symptoms.</p>	Rich Auditorium
1:45 pm – 2:00 pm	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Emily Lippert Program Manager American Brain Tumor Association</p>	Rich Auditorium





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RESOURCE FAIR

In addition to the program sessions, we encourage you to visit the resource fair for local and regional brain tumor resources and support, including treatment centers, support groups and allied care providers.

The American Brain Tumor Association thanks the following organizations for their support in the resource fair:

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PATIENT AND CAREGIVER SUPPORT

A brain tumor diagnosis can be extremely overwhelming for patients and their loved ones. The ABTA offers support and information about treatments, side effects and the overall progression of the illness.

The ABTA toll-free **CareLine** 1-800-886-ABTA (2282) is staffed by caring professionals who are available Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. CT to help connect patients and caregivers with information and resources that can help support them on their brain tumor journey.

ABTA Connections is a 24/7 online support community that links patients, families and friends with each other for support and inspiration.

TrialConnect™ is a clinical trial matching service that connects brain tumor patients with appropriate clinical trials based on their tumor type and treatment history.

All information can be found www.abta.org.

The ABTA website, www.abta.org, is recognized internationally as a comprehensive and trustworthy source of brain tumor information for patients, caregivers, families and health care professionals. Here you can find information about:

- Adult and pediatric brain tumors – anatomy, tumor types, diagnosis, treatment and other helpful information
- Information for the newly diagnosed
- Adult and pediatric caregiver resource centers
- Publications related to tumor types and treatment options
- Educational webinars from nationally-recognized health, medical and scientific experts
- Local resources, including support groups and patient education conferences
- Sharing your brain tumor story and registering for communications that will keep you current on research, treatment developments, and ABTA programs and services

PUBLICATIONS

The American Brain Tumor Association is a trusted resource for brain tumor patients, caregivers and health care professionals around the country. We offer a wide range of publications that can be accessed and downloaded from our website, or you can request hard copies by calling our CareLine at 800-866-ABTA (2282).

- About Brain Tumors: A Primer for Patients and Caregivers
- Brain Tumors – A Handbook for the Newly Diagnosed*
- Brain Tumor Dictionary*
- Caregiver Handbook*





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- Returning to Work after a Brain Tumor Diagnosis*
- Quick Guide to the Family Medical Leave Act*

Tumor Types

Ependymoma
Glioblastoma and Anaplastic Astrocytoma
Medulloblastoma
Meningioma
Metastatic Brain Tumors
Oligodendroglioma and Oligoastrocytoma
Pituitary Tumors

Treatments

Chemotherapy
Clinical Trials
Conventional Radiation Therapy
Proton Therapy
Stereotactic Radiosurgery*
Steroids
Surgery

**These publications are not yet available for download in Spanish.*



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ABOUT THE ABTA

Founded in 1973, the American Brain Tumor Association (ABTA) was the first national nonprofit advocacy organization dedicated solely to brain tumors. For over 45 years, the ABTA has provided comprehensive resources that support the complex needs of brain tumor patients and caregivers, as well as the critical funding of research in the pursuit of breakthroughs in brain tumor diagnosis, treatment and care.

To learn more, visit www.abta.org. For help, resources or to find out how you can get more involved, call 800-886-ABTA (2282) or email us at info@abta.org.

OUR MISSION

The mission of the American Brain Tumor Association is to advance the understanding and treatment of brain tumors with the goals of improving, extending and, ultimately, saving the lives of those impacted by a brain tumor diagnosis.

We do this through interactions and engagements with brain tumor patients and their families, collaborations with allied groups and organizations, and the funding of brain tumor research.

OUR VISION

A future where not one life is lost to a brain tumor.

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