



Sarcoma is a rare and dangerous cancer that can leave patients feeling alone and afraid.

Thousands of people around the world will come together during one week in July to support everyone affected by sarcoma.

**Families need the fellowship of Team Sarcoma events.
Researchers need targeted funds to save lives.**

**You are invited to be a source of hope.
Form or support a team in 2010.**

SARCOMA KNOWS NO BORDERS

It can appear anywhere in the body.

It does not discriminate based on age, gender, race or nationality.

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**Supporting cancer patients
Funding cancer research**



**July 17-25, 2010
One week of the year
All over the world**

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The Initiative

The Team Sarcoma Initiative (TSI) is an internationally coordinated set of events with two goals: to raise awareness of sarcoma and to raise funds to support sarcoma research, clinical trials, and patient and family services. TSI has taken place annually since 2003.

The Team Sarcoma Initiative consists of a vast variety of local and online events that are held during the same week.

With more than 16,800 participants in 2009, the Team Sarcoma Initiative is known as *International Sarcoma Awareness Week*.

TSI unites individuals, advocacy groups, and medical institutions in a global effort, because *Sarcoma knows no borders*.

“The Team Sarcoma Initiative has triggered our sarcoma team to improve accessibility and visibility for our sarcoma program. Besides that, it has been a great team-building event. Our Team Sarcoma events have shown the need for, and benefit of, human interaction outside the clinical routine.
– *Dr. Sebastian Bauer, Germany*

The Events

TSI events are planned by creative and caring people who want to help sarcoma patients and their families.

“This was a wonderful experience for my family; the connections and camaraderie at this year's event left everyone feeling exuberant and hopeful. We can make a difference!”
– *Adriane, California*

2009 TSI events were held in 14 countries and 28 U.S. states. They included:

- Runs and walks
- Musical and theatrical events
- Cycling, surfing and soccer events
- Bowling and fishing tournaments
- Medical seminars and consultations
- Luminaries and lemonade stands

Funding Sarcoma Research

Today, tens of thousands of sarcoma patients are hoping for more effective treatments that will save their lives. Most government funds are used for research into more well-known cancers, leaving sarcoma patients with few treatment options.

By bringing people together worldwide, TSI amplifies every voice, increases sarcoma awareness, funds sarcoma research, and creates lasting supportive connections.

How You Can Help

Form a Team

Make a difference by forming a team in your area! As a team organizer, you can envision and plan an event that will reach your community during July 17-25, 2010. Be creative and choose an activity that will attract your family, friends and neighbors. Then register your event with us. It's a very simple process: Contact us as soon as possible telling us that you'd like to organize a TSI event, and we'll help you with the details.



Support a Team

Each Team Sarcoma event is unique. Some teams need sponsors to help defray costs and create memorable events. Many teams and participants seek donations for sarcoma research and support. These donations make research happen and provide hope to everyone affected by this rare disease. You can show your support by contributing to or attending an event in your area. Events are announced at Team-Sarcoma.net and are often mentioned in the local press.

“Besides raising money for sarcoma research, I know that, after the day was done, hundreds of people in the area learned about sarcoma for the first time.” – *John, North Carolina*
