



**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 2009.**

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## **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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## **Acknowledgments**

The Team Sarcoma Initiative is coordinated by volunteers from the Liddy Shriver Sarcoma Initiative. The following organizations are already planning a TSI 2009 event. Plan your own event to join this list!

### **Medical Centers**

Arizona Cancer Center  
Centrum Onkologii - Instytut im. M. Skłodowskiej-Curie  
Emory Winship Cancer Institute  
First Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat-sen University  
Fox Chase Cancer Center  
H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center & Research Institute  
Hillman Cancer Center  
Huntsman Cancer Institute  
Joan Karnell Cancer Center  
Johns Hopkins Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center  
Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center  
M.D. Anderson Cancer Center  
Massachusetts General Hospital  
Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center  
Menorah Medical Center and the Mid-America Sarcoma Institute  
Mexican National Institute of Pediatrics  
National Institute of Genomic Medicine  
NYU Langone Medical Center  
Oregon Health & Science University Cancer Institute  
Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre  
Roswell Park Cancer Institute  
St. Vincent's Health  
The Children's Hospital at Montefiore  
The Hospital for Sick Children  
University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center  
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

### **Advocacy Groups**

Adult Bone Cancer Survivors  
Amschwand Sarcoma Cancer Foundation  
Annie's Fund  
Brian Morden Foundation  
Grind for Life  
iCureASPS (CureASPS International)  
Jennifer Hunter Yates Sarcoma Foundation  
Karen Wyckoff Rein in Sarcoma Foundation  
Leiomyosarcoma Direct Research Foundation (LMSdr)  
Miles Alpern Levin Fund  
Peter Skelton Sarcoma Research Foundation  
Reid R. Sacco Memorial Foundation  
Sarcoma UK  
Stowarzyszenie Pomocy Chorym na Miesaki "SARCOMA"  
Veterans for Sarcoma  
We Will Never Give Up Foundation (Aqui Nadie se Rinde)  
Za novi dan (For a new day)

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## **Supporting Cancer Patients Funding Cancer Research**



**July 18-26, 2009**  
**One week of the year**  
**All over the world**

[Team-Sarcoma.net](http://Team-Sarcoma.net)

## The Initiative

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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.

TSI consists of a “core” Team Sarcoma event and local Team Sarcoma events that are held worldwide during the same week.

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**With more than 8,000 participants in the 2008 TSI, it was an *International Sarcoma Awareness Week*.**

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TSI unites individuals, medical institutions, and charitable organizations in a global effort, because *sarcoma knows no borders*.

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**“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*

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## The Events

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

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**“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*

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2008 TSI events were held in 14 countries and 27 U.S. states. They included:

- Runs and walks
- Cycling and swimming events
- Bowling and fishing tournaments
- Skateboarding and soccer events
- Medical seminars and consultations
- Musical and theatrical events
- Luminaries and letter writing

### 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.

TSI amplifies every voice, increases sarcoma awareness, and creates lasting supportive connections among people worldwide.

## How You Can Help

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### Form a Team

There are cities, states and countries that are not yet represented in the TSI effort. You can 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 the *International Sarcoma Awareness Week*. Be creative and choose an activity that will attract your family, friends and neighbors. Team Sarcoma volunteers are happy to help with ideas. To be sanctioned as an official TSI event, you need to 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 meaningful 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 also show your support by attending an event in your area. Events are announced at [Team-Sarcoma.net](http://Team-Sarcoma.net) and are often mentioned in the local press.

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**“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*

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