We publish a monthly e-newsletter with items of interest to the international brain tumour community and which is emailed to over 6,000 highly relevant recipients.

We collaborate with relevant government agencies, health professional organisations, pharmaceutical companies, cancer organisations, clinicians, research institutes and other patient advocacy organisations.

We encourage the establishment of brain tumour patient support groups in countries where they don’t yet exist so that no one who is living with a brain tumour feels isolated and forgotten.

We work towards a greater emphasis by research bodies on identifying causes of brain tumours and the development of more effective therapies as well as encouraging greater collaboration among researchers to reduce duplication.

We project manage the annual International Brain Tumour Awareness Week and the Walk Around the World for Brain Tumours.

We advocate for improved patient access to a multi disciplinary specialist range of services, including palliative care, rehabilitation and psychosocial support to ensure that such services are at all times appropriate to the needs of people living with a brain tumour, and their families.

We participate in international and national brain tumour and cancer conferences and often give plenary presentations at these meetings which highlight the patient and caregiver perspective.

We participate in a range of high level European initiatives for rare and less common cancers.

We instil a greater measure of hope in the global brain tumour community by celebrating the courage and achievements of brain tumour survivors.

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**Brain Tumour magazine**

The IBTA produces and publishes *Brain Tumour* magazine each year, which is distributed free to members of the international brain tumour community located in 111 countries.

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Our Vision
A world free from the fear of brain tumours.

Our Mission
To advocate for the best treatments, information, support and quality of life for brain tumour patients, offering them, their families and caregivers hope - wherever they live in the world.

Our Purpose
Through facilitating collaboration within the global brain tumour community we provide a strong and collective voice for brain tumour patient organisations across the world.

Our Work
The IBTA’s work is underpinned by the values of solidarity, equity, honesty, integrity, transparency and hope.
We place patients at the heart of all we do, celebrating their courage and achievements, sharing knowledge and experiences and working together for progress.
We are committed to strengthening the evidence base for patient-centred treatment and care, in particular through the telling of and promoting of people’s experiences.
We encourage and support established brain tumour patient organisations, we do not replace or supercede them.

We strive for a wider public recognition of the specific challenges patients and families face in dealing with this devastating disease.
We encourage greater collaboration between the various brain tumour support, advocacy and information groups around the world.
We produce a major annual magazine called Brain Tumour, print 14,000 copies of it, send it for free to recipients in 111 countries and provide it to doctors, nurses, allied health care professionals, key opinion leaders and others at medical conferences around the world.

Eighty-five participants from 29 countries attended the IBTA’s 2017 World Summit of Brain Tumour Patient Advocates in London, UK. Some of these participants are pictured above. Photo by MVF Studios.