



## SFA Spotlight - July 2016

**As a reminder, welcome to our newsletter!** Please be on the lookout for this newsletter every month as a way to keep you more involved and engaged with information important to the SFA community.

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### Take Action: Sarcoma Awareness Month

*From the SFA blog:*

The pages on the calendar have quickly turned and July is again upon us. For most, July means freedom from school, a summer vacation, or celebrating our nation's independence. But those of us in the sarcoma community know that this month means something else as well. As we know, July is Sarcoma Awareness Month.

Why do we have a Sarcoma Awareness Month? Simply, sarcoma is still considered to be the "forgotten cancer." Our efforts to encourage more research and more drug development are made difficult due to a lack of awareness and understanding. Think about the major efforts that take place during other months for other diseases. People have come to recognize the meaning of other colored ribbons, yet don't know the significance of our yellow ribbon. How as a community do we raise funds for vital research if people don't know that this cancer exists?

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### SFA Represents Sarcoma Community at Cancer Moonshot Summit

The Sarcoma Foundation of America was pleased to represent the entire sarcoma community at the Cancer Moonshot Summit held in Washington, DC, in June.

"I was honored to attend Vice President Biden's Cancer Moonshot Summit at Howard University. It was a



privilege to represent the sarcoma patient community along with other sarcoma advocates," said SFA CEO Bert Thomas IV, PhD, MBA. "The determination of all attendees to find new ways to collaborate in an effort to accelerate the progress being made in cancer was inspiring. The Sarcoma Foundation of America intends to be part of this process and continues to look for new and innovative opportunities to collaborate with other stakeholders in the cancer ecosystem to improve the care and outcomes for all sarcoma patients."

The summit, part of Vice President Joe Biden's Cancer Moonshot initiative, brought together government officials, researchers, physicians, cancer advocates, and patients to work on the development of a plan to encourage more collaboration in cancer research, with the aim of more rapid innovation of breakthroughs in cancer treatment.

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## 6th Annual Pittsburgh Cure Sarcoma 5K



The 6th Annual Pittsburgh Cure Sarcoma 5K Run/Walk was a huge success! Thank you Pittsburgh Cure Sarcoma for your work organizing this amazing event. We also want to thank all of the volunteers, runners/walkers, donors, sponsors, patients, and families who helped in the effort to raise funds for sarcoma research!

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## SFA Announces 2016 Education Conference Series

The dates and locations for the 2016 SFA Patient Education Conference series have officially been set. The SFA is pleased to have expanded the conference series to new cities in order to reach more of the sarcoma community. These conferences bring together key stakeholders, including sarcoma patients, sarcoma survivors, caregivers, and expert doctors, to discuss the leading treatments and latest developments in sarcoma research. The patient education conferences represent an exceptional opportunity for our members to gain insight about their disease and ask questions to leading sarcoma researchers and doctors. And if you don't see an event close to you, be on the lookout as we expect to announce additional new events in 2016 and 2017.

## Conference Locations and Dates:

[Raleigh-Durham, NC](#) - September 10, 2016

[New York, NY](#) - September 12, 2016

[Pittsburgh, PA](#) - September 17, 2016

[Miami, FL](#) - September 24, 2016

[Salt Lake City, UT](#) - October 15, 2016

[Chicago, IL](#) - October 25, 2016

More information, including a link to register for each of the conferences, can be found at <http://www.curesarcoma.org/education/sfa-educational-conferences/>.

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## Race to Cure Sarcoma Coming to Denver, Philadelphia, and Chicago

Three new cities will play host to an upcoming series of 5K Run/Walks organized by the Sarcoma Foundation of America and partner cancer centers.

Registration is now open for these races that will raise awareness and funds for sarcoma research.



### Denver Race to Cure Sarcoma

September 17, 2016, at Cherry Creek Dam Road in Greenwood Village

<http://support.curesarcoma.org/denver>

### Chicago Race to Cure Sarcoma

October 29, 2016, at Independence Grove

<http://support.curesarcoma.org/chicago>

### Philadelphia Race to Cure Sarcoma

October 30, 2016, at Warminster Community Park

<http://support.curesarcoma.org/philly>

Interested in serving as a volunteer for one of these races?

Email us at [getinvolved@curesarcoma.org](mailto:getinvolved@curesarcoma.org).

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## Become a Champion for Sarcoma



Check out our new way to create your own personalized fundraising page! Want to support a friend or family member in their battle with sarcoma? Celebrate your victory against sarcoma? Remember a loved one? It's easier than ever to become a Champion for Sarcoma and help us in the fight to cure sarcoma.

Visit <http://support.curesarcoma.org/champion> to set up your page today!

## Upcoming Events

Check our [Upcoming Events section](#) on our website frequently for more ways to get involved.

Learn more about events like the [Car Show for a Cure](#), to be held on July 23, 2016, the [Denver Race to Cure Sarcoma](#) to be held on September 17, 2016, and the [3rd Annual STL Cure Sarcoma 6K Run/Walk](#), to be held on October 9, 2016.

Interested in getting involved? [Please let us know.](#)



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