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Dear SPAEN members and friends!



July is Sarcoma Awareness Month in the USA and other countries. But for patients, every month is Sarcoma Awareness Month! We have been reminded of this quite harshly when we lost our dedicated board member **Dr. Nikhil Guhagarkar** to GIST in late May. Nikhil was a role model in advocacy and a shining example of what we can achieve through patient advocacy.

We at SPAEN will continue to work for a better situation for sarcoma, GIST, bone cancer and desmoid patients in memory of Nikhil and all those who have lost their lives to these diseases. Together with our member groups, patients and advocates, experts and healthcare professionals - during Sarcoma Awareness Month and every other month! Please stay active for all patients around the globe!

The SPAEN Board of Directors & Team



SPAEN ADVOCACY IN ACTION AWARD: WINNERS 2019 & ANNOUNCEMENT 2020



Patient advocacy is so important: It ensures that people are heard, take action and ultimately improve situations, achieve changes or help to fulfil unmet medical needs.

We want to honor the great initiatives, activities and campaigns that are being done for sarcoma patients around the world by our member groups – your work is amazing!

Please make it seen and acknowledged across country borders – and apply now for our “SPAEN Advocacy in Action Award 2020”.

And get inspired by our 2019 winners and their projects:

1. Desmoid Foundation Italy for “A bridge for Desmoid Tumor”
2. Friends of Max, India, for “Chai for cancer”
2. Sarcoma UK for “The Accidental Activist”
3. The Bone Cancer Research Trust (BCRT) for the “Bone Cancer Conference”

Find out more on our [website](#).

Congratulations again to the 2019 winners and all award entries!