

# Connecticut Brain Tumor Alliance

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The CT Brain Tumor Alliance (CTBTA) is a nonprofit organization that was established in 2009 by Tracey Gamer-Fanning-Shimer, her mother, Terry, and other patients and/or caregivers she met along her journey with brain cancer. After being diagnosed with brain cancer in 2006, Tracey thrived and championed the mission so that others would not have to face this diagnosis alone with her “larger-than-life” smile and grace until her passing on October 26, 2018. Tracey wanted to make sure that each patient and caregiver was given hope and support while the CTBTA team raised brain tumor awareness, quality of care and research. The world was a better place because of Tracey.



Tracey Gamer-Fanning-Shimer

The CTBTA is continuing what Tracey began and has graced Saint Francis Hospital with support for our brain tumor and cancer patients since their inception. They host many different events throughout the year — walks, golf outings, trivia challenges, wine tastings and comedy nights — and share their proceeds with several hospitals in Connecticut. Their partnership allows us to provide financial assistance and nurse navigator services to brain tumor patients to guide them through their diagnosis and ease their burdens.

2019 check presentation from the CTBTA board to the Smilow Cancer Hospital at Saint Francis.

