Sarcoma Patient Advocacy: A How-To Guide

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Consider being a Volunteer Patient Advocate

- Any connection to Sarcoma
- No particular skills needed
- Make sure you are ready
- Do something rewarding to YOU
What Type of Patient Advocacy Suits You?

- **Support Advocacy examples**
  - Providing education and guidance material
  - Mentoring others
  - Hosting support groups and conferences

- **Financial Advocacy examples**
  - Providing grants to help defray costs
  - Raising money to support non-profits
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- **Lobbying Advocacy examples**
  - Requesting legislation to recognize July as Sarcoma Awareness Month
  - Specialist Referral initiative to remove barriers to expert treatment

- **Research Advocacy examples**
  - Putting the patient perspective in the development of new treatments and clinical trials
  - Raising money for research to create improved treatments
How You Can Help Support Others with Sarcoma

The Sarcoma Alliance always can use Volunteer Advocates!

- **Marketing**
  - Help get the word out about our services
  - Social media, press releases, Sarcoma Awareness Month activities

- **Fundraising**
  - Hold an independent event or on-line fundraiser
  - Participate in walks, such as with our partner Wendy Walk
  - Help our Ocean of Hope teams
  - Many others: Employer matches, Amazon Smile, shop SA
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**Programs and Services**

- Help update website information, or provide new content
- Support groups – help manage our on-line support group, or start new in-person ones
- Assistance Fund – help review applications
- Mentor others through our partner, Imerman Angels
- Develop or implement Sarcoma Awareness Month activities
- Assist with our annual Exchange

**Admin Help**
How To Just Do It

Visit our website for ways to get involved:
https://sarcomaalliance.org/

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