

SPAGN Conference Participant Profile

Name: Matt Sha

Organisation: BC Cancer Agency

Role / Stakeholder Type: Patient Advocate

Country: Canada



What is your connection to sarcoma or your sarcoma story?

At the age of 21, I found a lump on my left hip, which turned out to be a myxoid liposarcoma. After recovering from my successful surgery, I became a Patient Partner at the BC Cancer Agency in Vancouver, Canada and have advocated for improved cancer care for adolescent and young adults (AYAs) with cancer and individuals affected by sarcoma.



What's most important to know about your organization?

The BC Cancer Agency has a Patient and Family Partnerships and Experience Program where Patient and Family Partners engage with quality improvement projects across the province with patient-centred care as a priority.



What are you most interested in collaborating on?

Research, Awareness, Access, Policy, Partnerships, Innovation, Patient Support



Your role in the organisation and main areas of involvement:

Patient Advocacy, Research



How can others best connect with you after the conference?

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/matthewsha/>



One fun fact about you or something you are proud of:

I went skydiving in Hawaii after recovering from my sarcoma surgery!

