



# eNewsletter

## HISTIOCYTOSIS ASSOCIATION

-- April 2024

Although Volunteer Appreciation Month was recognized last month, at the Histiocytosis Association we continue to recognize the impact of our volunteer's and their commitment all year long.

Whether you are a histio warrior, a family member, caregiver, or friend, we appreciate those individuals that contribute their time, talent, and passion to helping to bolster research and awareness of histiocytic disorders. THANK YOU all for your commitment.

This month, we're proud to shine the spotlight on our newest volunteer, Histo Ambassador, Tim!

## Celebrating Volunteers

# Volunteer Spotlight: Tim



As April was Volunteer Appreciation Month, we wanted to kick this newsletter off with a spotlight on one of our newest Ambassadors, Tim.

Tim kicked off his volunteer journey with an inspiring awareness project, sharing his histio journey with his local Rotary club. The success of his presentation speaks volumes—attended by over 35 Rotarians, Tim effectively communicated the importance of raising awareness about histiocytosis and highlighted the impactful work of our association.

In addition to his advocacy work, Tim and his family participated in the Histo Hike Shenandoah last weekend, where he lent his expertise in data analysis to help identify histio care deserts across the country.

Tim's contributions embody the spirit of volunteerism and remind us of the power of individuals coming together for a common cause. Thank you, Tim, for your unwavering dedication and for being an invaluable part of our team. Together, we're making a real difference in the fight against histiocytosis.

## Beyond The Diagnosis Episode 064 - Voices of Dedication: Honoring our Histo Volunteers



**Episode 064**  
**Voices of Dedication:**  
**Honoring Our Histo Volunteers**  
**Now Available!**



Episode 064 of the Beyond the Diagnosis Podcast is now available. In honor of Volunteer Appreciation Month, join us for a special episode dedicated to celebrating the incredible contributions of our devoted volunteers and Ambassadors. Tune in as we sit down with two of our Ambassadors who generously share their volunteer journey and the impactful initiatives, they're championing in their commitment to the histiocytosis cause. Get inspired by their selfless dedication and passion as they continue to make a difference in the lives of those affected by histio. Check it out at <https://histio.org/beyond-the-diagnosis-podcast/>, below, or wherever you listen to podcasts!

**Listen Now**

**Education**



# HISTIO PATIENT & FAMILY REGIONAL EDUCATION MEETINGS

We are hosting 3 regional meetings across the United States this summer!

**Please mark your calendar for these 2024 Dates and Locations:**

Saturday, June 1 | Orange County, California - **Registration Open**

Saturday, August 24 | Pitman, New Jersey - Registration Coming Soon

Saturday, September 7 | Birmingham, Alabama - Registration Coming Soon

First up - Orange County, California, where we will be joined by adult and pediatric doctors to discuss each of the histiocytic disorders. Featuring Dr. Lilibeth Torno, Dr. Beth Martin and Dr. Melissa Hines. You can currently register here: <http://give.histio.org/site/Calendar?id=100201&view=Detail>

More details will be coming soon for our Pitman and Birmingham meetings.

For questions regarding upcoming regional meetings, please email us at [outreach@histio.org](mailto:outreach@histio.org).

Register Now for Orange County

## Research Corner: Malignant Histiocytosis



Recently, Deanna Fournier, our Executive Director interviewed four doctors about two separate aspects of Malignant Histiocytosis.

Malignant Histiocytosis (MH) is an ultra-rare subtype of histiocytic neoplasms, with estimated incidence of less than 1 case per million population.

These videos discuss Pathology/Diagnosis of MH in the first video, and the Clinical aspects in the second video.

Watch both videos below:

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Pathology Video

Clinical Video

## Upcoming Fundraising Events

### Histio Hike Shenandoah 2024



The 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Histio Hike did not disappoint. Despite a rainy & very wet hiking morning, teams “weathered the storm” and hiked for a cause! We had 17 warrior teams registered this year and together, histio family and friends have raised more than \$53,000.

Ten percent of the total raised will go toward the highest scoring Histio Warrior Scholarship winner. If awarded today, the highest scholarship would be \$5,300. The donation window for the Histio Hike is still open, so you can still help impact the scholarship winners!

Thank you to everyone for coming out to support the Hike!

### Histio Run

The 13<sup>th</sup> annual Histio Run in Memory of Jeffrey White will take place on May 18<sup>th</sup> in Mannford, OK. This event was started in honor of Jeffrey, who sadly lost his battle with HLH as an infant. Please join us for either the 5K run/walk or the 1-mile fun run to fight histio. Don't delay, register today & grab your tennis shoes and come out for a great cause.



Register For the Run

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