

# ***Parent Perceptions of School Interventions for Pediatric Survivors of Brain Tumors***

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## **What is the purpose of the study?**

The purpose of this study is to examine parents' perspectives of learning impairments in their children who are survivors of brain tumors and to describe how schools respond to recommendations for accommodations for these children.

## **Who is eligible to participate in the study?**

Parents of children over 5 years of age who have had a brain tumor have documented learning difficulties, and who completed treatment at least 3 months prior may be eligible to participate.

## **What does the study involve?**

Eligible parents will be asked to participate in a focus group study. A moderator will facilitate the session with guided questions. The sessions will be audiotaped and transcribed verbatim. The focus group is expected to last 3 hours and will be conducted at Lutheran General Children's Hospital.

## **What are the benefits?**

There is no direct benefit to individual participants, however, information from this study will be used to guide communications between health care providers and school personnel to ultimately enhance the educational environments of children who have been treated for brain tumors..

## **What are the risks?**

The focus group discussion may elicit emotional responses from participants. Trained staff will be available at the sessions to provide counseling and support as needed.

## **Is there any compensation for participating?**

There is no compensation for this study.

## **How will I get more information about the study?**

Interested parents will discuss the study with a member of the research team and will be given a parent permission / consent form that further explains all of the details of the study. Study procedures will not be started until the parent(s) fully understands what is involved in the study and has signed a parent permission/ consent form.

**Status:** Closed to enrollment.

**Site(s):** Advocate Lutheran General Children's Hospital, Midwest Children's Brain Tumor Center

## **Who should I contact for more information?**

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