

The Global Tracheostomy Collaborative

Want to Stay Involved? Patient and Family Opportunities

Dear Patient, Family Member, or Caregiver,

On behalf of patients and families, we'd like to welcome you to the Global Tracheostomy Collaborative. As a mother of a child with a tracheostomy, I've experienced many of the challenges that families and individuals with tracheostomies face each day. Along with medical concerns, navigating systems of care and often fragmented services can be daunting. The GTC is dedicated to improving tracheostomy care at a global level, and we are thrilled that you are interested in joining us!

We are committed to integrating the patient and family voice into the GTC's quality improvement initiatives. We have been networking with patient and families in the tracheostomy community to spread the news about the GTC and gather input on priorities and needs. At each of our GTC continent Kick-Off events, we've held a Patient and Family Session and we look forward to having you participate in the Patient and Family Session at the upcoming Third International Tracheostomy Symposium presented by Johns Hopkins Medicine.

Thank you for your interest in improving tracheostomy care! There is an incredible need to improve care for the tracheostomy community and I am hopeful that together we will bring about positive change. We look forward to working with you and helping to further incorporate the patient and family voice into our efforts.

Sincerely,

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The Global Tracheostomy Collaborative is working to improve the quality of care for trach patients around the world. You can lend your voice and get involved at their website, globaltrach.org where you can:

- Sign up for a Free Patient and Family Membership
- Share your story and experience
- Find resources for patients & families and help us identify more
- Follow the GTC through social media
- Spread the word to your providers
- Be involved in improvement efforts at your local hospitals

If you have questions, reach out to patientandfamilies@globaltrach.org.

