

Call for applications for new positions in the Brain Tumour Advocacy Committee (BTAC) 2026-2028

EANO is Europe's multidisciplinary Neuro-Oncology society representing all disciplines involved in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care of people with tumours of the central nervous system (CNS). Today, EANO has over 1000 members from more than 70 countries. EANO is dedicated to promoting advances in neuro-oncology through innovative research and concerted education and training. It enhances collaboration between all relevant disciplines: neuro-oncology, neurosurgery, neuropathology, neuroradiology, radiation oncology, nursing and allied healthcare professionals and aims at bridging science, knowledge and practice gaps in the management of brain and CNS tumours. For more information about EANO see: <https://www.eano.eu/>

EANO continuously strives to assist everyone in understanding the issues that carry significance for anyone who is living with a brain tumour. This aligns with the notion that involving and engaging patients and caregivers broadens the focus, enabling a person-centered approach, and – for example - encourages researchers to incorporate more patient-relevant outcomes in clinical trials.

Therefore, EANO has established the BTAC to act as a representative group with EANO which can inform and interact with the society from the point of view of patients and caregivers. The BTAC will meet four times a year and in addition, BTAC members will be invited to participate as co-opted members in other EANO committees' meetings and/or projects. The members of the BTAC can be offered guidance in patient and public involvement and engagement in medical associations. The creation of the BTAC brings the number of EANO committees to eight, see: <https://www.eano.eu/about/about-us/committees/>

The BTAC consist of 11 members, including the Chair and Vice Chair, all of whom have had experience living with a brain tumour, either as a patient or as a current or former caregiver. Applicants must be able to represent the community of people living with a brain tumour. They do not have to be a member of a patient organisation, although this is desirable. Diversity regarding brain tumour diagnosis, time since diagnosis, age, gender, and country of residence will be encouraged. All applicants will have to be members of EANO, with residency in Europe and have good proficiency in spoken and written English.

The election procedure will be as follows:

1. Interested candidates should send in their letter of motivation and CV via the EventsAir platform. The deadline for submission is **May 28, 2026**.
2. The Brain Tumor Advocacy Committee and EANO Executive Board will review all the applications by mid-July, considering the CVs, geographic representation, and specialty to ensure that BTAC has broad representation.

3. At the General Assembly during the EANO Meeting in Rome, the approved candidates will be presented.

Yours sincerely,
Helen Bulbeck
Chair of the BTAC, Co-Opted Member of the EANO Board