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Melissa Lim is the Founder and President of Brain Tumour Society (Singapore). Her mission to help and support brain tumour patients and caregivers stems from her personal experience and journey as a brain tumour survivor. This experience closely echoed the lonely journey she had with her late mother who had terminal brain cancer. Upon her recovery, Melissa decided to leverage on her personal experiences as a patient and caregiver to bring hope and encouragement to other brain tumour patients.

Today, BTSS serves a community of 300 families through a range of programmes such as befriending, peer support groups, community bonding events, financial and practical assistance. Melissa received the Singapore Health Inspirational Patient Award in March 2015 while BTSS was accorded the Singapore Health Inspirational Patient Group Award in 2020.

Melissa is an active participant of numerous local and international patient initiatives and committees (SingHealth SPAN, NUHS PASO, ACE Consumer Panel, UICC, NDC Alliance, Asia Pacific Brain Tumour Alliance). Professionally, Melissa is a senior consultant in leadership and talent development and a faculty member of NUS Business School.

Topic: A New Kid on the Bloc: Introduction to Asia Pacific Brain Tumour Alliance

This presentation introduces the patient organisations that form APBTA and recount how APBTA was formed, as well as the various collaborations within the group for the better of the brain tumour communities in Asia Pacific.