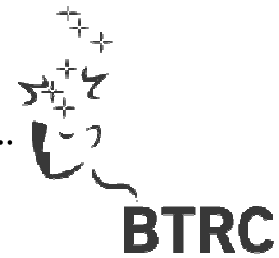


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BRAIN TUMOUR PROTON THERAPY TREATMENT BREAKTHROUGH

Brain Tumour Research welcomed today's decision by the Government to introduce Proton Therapy in England. Proton Beam Therapy uses radiation to target cancer cells without damaging surrounding tissues, so protecting vital organs. This treatment is crucial for patients, including children, where brain tumours occur in areas of the brain such as the spine and base of skull, where conventional surgery and radiotherapy run major risks.

Last month, Brain Tumour Research published research that showed that more men under the age of 45 and women under 35 now die from a brain tumour in the UK than any other cancer. Brain tumours have overtaken leukaemia as the biggest cancer killer of children in the UK.

Responding to the announcement, **Wendy Fulcher**, Chairman of Brain Tumour Research said:

"This is excellent news. Previously patients or parents faced a terrible situation, forced to raise funds to go abroad for lifesaving treatment, adding to the stress of a brain tumour diagnosis. I hope this signals a shift in policy for increased funding for brain tumour treatment and research which is long overdue."

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