

## **Bleeding Disorders Association of South Carolina**

## Par for The Clot 10th Annual Charity Golf Tournament Fundraiser

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Dear Friends,

It is with great pleasure that we are able to continue our mission by hosting our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual "Par for the Clot" Charity Golf Tournament. Thanks to our corporate and personal sponsors, we are guaranteed to have another wonderful tournament this year and we are excited to invite you to join us. This exciting, business - friendly event will take place in Greenville, SC at The Preserve at Verdae on September 27, 2024. Proceeds from this tournament will support the much needed and unique services we provide free of charge to our membership; those affected by various rare and chronic bleeding disorders. Currently, BDASC serves over 1,200 individuals (525 families) throughout the state, and has member families in all 46 counties. In the upstate alone, we serve 170 families, approximately over 650 individuals.

Bleeding Disorders Association of South Carolina (BDASC) is a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization. We are a Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation, A Member Organization of Hemophilia Federation of America, a member of Together SC Non-profits, and an investor in the Greenville Chamber of Commerce. BDASC serves individuals and their families in South Carolina who are diagnosed with rare, inherited genetic bleeding disorders. There are an estimated 7,000 identified rare disorders, affecting 1 in every 10 Americans. Hemophilia, von Willebrand Disease, and Factor VII Deficiency are three rare genetic blood clotting disorders in which a person is missing, or has a low or defective amount of a necessary protein factor in their blood to clot normally. Therefore, internal bleeding occurs and can cause debilitating pain and damage to joints, muscles, and can cause life threatening internal bleeding. Currently, there is no cure.

When a family or individual learns that a loved one has a rare bleeding disorder, it is heartbreaking. The picture they have painted for their family's future, suddenly changes. Their whole world is turned upside down. It is only with the work of organizations that serve individuals with bleeding disorders like us, that families and individuals thrive, despite the often-difficult situations they must sometimes endure. Our greatest gift we can provide to our members is helping them know they will never be alone in their bleeding disorders journey. It is because of you, and the companies that support our mission, that we can provide a wealth of support. Dedicated to assisting in the quality of life for those affected by bleeding disorders, we provide educational and support service programs; family, teen and children's camps support, financial assistance and compassionate care, college scholarships, advocacy awareness initiatives, educational symposiums, support groups, referral services, and research support.



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The proceeds of this tournament are dedicated to supporting affordable and quality healthcare access in South Carolina for those with chronic and rare conditions. We currently have some bills in the legislation that will help families stay on their medication treatments and funding is needed to support our challenge for change.

Our golf sponsorship package provides all the details on this charity event. We are hoping that we will be able to count on you for this support. This is a great opportunity to network with businesses around Greenville County, throughout South Carolina, and with many of our national partners. We know you will have a great time in doing so. You will have the opportunity to meet our wonderful community members who will benefit from your direct support and the physicians who provide treatment and care.

Please feel free to contact me at the Chapter office at 864-350-9941 or email me at <a href="mailto:sue.martin@bda-sc.org">sue.martin@bda-sc.org</a>. You may also contact our Golf Chairman this year, Ric Martin, who can be reached at 864-991-2178 or <a href="mailto:ricnsue44@bellsouth.net">ricnsue44@bellsouth.net</a> for any additional questions you may have. On behalf of Bleeding Disorders Association of South Carolina, we hope you will join us for this annual event and look forward to your partnership!

Warmest regards,

Sue Martin

**Executive Director** 

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