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Together we can Stop the Pop!

**OUR MISSION**

For 25 years, it's been our honored mission to save and improve lives.

This campaign is about just that: it's creating awareness for people who otherwise might not engage with or hear about aneurysms. It's about saving lives, even lives that don't know yet that they need to be saved.

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### WHY 'STOP THE POP?'

Brain aneurysms are common. Brain aneurysms affect the young and old. Brain aneurysms are treatable...

...And yet most people have no idea what an aneurysm is.

### SO... WHY A BALLOON?

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1 in 50 people in the U.S. has a brain aneurysm
Brain aneurysms have a seismic impact, not only on those who are diagnosed or who experience a rupture, but on their families and caregivers. The loss of income and livelihood is staggering.

A DANGEROUS DISPARITY

Despite this economic impact and the fact that thousands die from ruptured brain aneurysms each year, federal funding is a fraction of similarly impacted communities. Your support and donations have a direct and immediate impact on the brain aneurysm community.
FOR INFLUENCERS
Update your FB profile with one of our custom Stop the Pop frames. RED, WHITE, RED & WHITE
Share a FAST FACT, tag a friend and hashtag #StopthePop on social media.
Tag us @BAFound on your posts

FOR SURVIVORS FRIENDS & FAMILY
Post a photo or video sharing yours or a loved one's story.
Mark a red balloon with an impactful date.
Use #StopthePop

GET INVOLVED
And Share with Others!

BECOME AN AMBASSADOR
Be a part of the Stop the Pop movement and become an Ambassador. Join your state's team and help raise money for the cause.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL
Why We Should Care

Spreading awareness starts with educating the public. By making the notable common statistics on brain aneurysms more available and well known, we can start to make the disease a priority!

WIDESPREAD PROBLEM VS COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS

1 in 50 people in the U.S. has a brain aneurysm

every 18 minutes a brain aneurysm ruptures

The media is misrepresenting brain aneurysms.

Create awareness and educate through sharing the Facts!
Know the facts. Share the facts. Save a life.

Brain aneurysms occur most often in people ages 35 to 60, but can occur in children too.

DOWNLOAD SOCIAL ASSETS & SPREAD THE WORD!

Be a part of Stop the Pop by posting these ready-to-go assets on your Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter channels! Head to stopthepopnow.org/social to get started.

SHAREABLE ASSETS
1. Fast Fact balloons
2. Fast Fact stills
3. Fast Fact gifs
4. Fast Fact & CTA Videos
5. Facebook frames

POSTING SOMETHING? USE OUR HASHTAG!
#STOPTHEPOP

CLICK HERE!
Sharing Survivors' Stories

"I feel a great sense of responsibility for my good fortune. I feel I owe it to those who passed away because of aneurysms or suffered permanent damage to raise awareness and encourage research to improve outcomes. I was so excited to hear about the BAF Arterial Challenge because it gave me a way to get involved, raise awareness, meet other survivors, and honor those who were not as lucky as I was."

Our stories of support and survival are our greatest weapons against this silent killer.

For Pam Barile, life changed in a second, but that didn't mean life ended. After suffering a ruptured brain aneurysm in 2012, her family was told she had a small chance for survival. After weeks in the Neurological ICU, and time spent in rehab to recover motor skills and relearn basic tasks. She has found opportunities that didn't exist before her event.

For Thomas, has been an active duty Special Operations Diver for the United States Navy since 2011. In December of 2017 he was completing a routine dive when he surfaced he began to experience worrying symptoms such as vertigo, tinnitus, nausea and had difficulty walking.

Spreading Awareness Starts with Your Story!

1. Post a photo or video sharing yours or a loved one's story.
2. Mark a red balloon with an impactful date.
3. Use #StopthePop