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Golfers tee off to support mesothelioma research

Last fall, 150 golfers teed off at the Hillview Country Club in North Reading, Mass., for the Stevan E. Downey Memorial Golf Tournament. Downey, a police officer and Vietnam War veteran, succumbed to mesothelioma, a rare form of lung cancer caused by asbestos exposure, in March 2004. In appreciation of the care he received at Brigham and Women's, participants raised more than \$22,000 to benefit the International Mesothelioma Program, directed by David Sugarbaker, MD.

The BWH Development Office helps groups and families like the Downeys plan fundraising activities that benefit the hospital. In addition to golf tournaments, former BWH patients and their loved ones have organized a 5K run/walk to support lung cancer research in women, a spring dance to benefit orthopedic oncology, and a concert to fund sickle cell anemia research. For information, contact Suzanne Leidel at sleidel@partners.org or (617) 424-4309. ♦