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# Tisch MS Research Center of New York Named an Official Charity Partner of the 2015 TCS New York City Marathon Set for Sunday, November 1, 2015

New York, October 1, 2015 - "<u>Tisch MS Research Center of New York (Tisch MSRCNY)</u> is thrilled to partner with the TCS New York City Marathon as an official charity partner," said Dr. Saud A. Sadiq, Director and Chief Research Scientist at Tisch MSRCNY. "The TCS New York City Marathon provides a powerful platform for our passionate charity runners to fundraise and raise awareness for a cause that is close to their hearts. We are looking forward to supporting our runners throughout their memorable journeys as they train for, and ultimately achieve their goal of completing this race, all while raising critical funds which benefit Tisch MSRCNY's mission to discover the cause of and cure for multiple sclerosis (MS)."

Nearly 300 official charity partners are expected to participate in the 2015 TCS New York City Marathon this year. The race will take place on Sunday, November 1, 2015.

Tisch MS Research Center of New York's mission is to conduct medical research directed toward finding the cause and eventual cure of multiple sclerosis. The Center is designed to understand all aspects of MS, including research at the cellular and molecular levels, in order to treat and cure MS. Tisch MSRCNY's current innovative and unique studies include our FDA Phase I clinical stem cell trial, finding the cause of MS, understanding the mechanisms of disease progression, developing neural cell regeneration and repair strategies, conducting translational research, and the establishment of biomarkers for MS.

"We warmly welcome Tisch MS Research Center of New York as an official charity partner for the 2015 TCS New York City Marathon," said Michael Rodgers, Vice President of Development and Philanthropy for New York Road Runners. "All of our participants are inspired to run for reasons significant and special to them, and we are especially appreciative of those who make a meaningful commitment to run on behalf of one of our official charity partners. We wish the best to all of these runners as they begin to plan and prepare for an experience of a lifetime at the 2015 TCS New York City Marathon."

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The 2015 TCS New York City Marathon will feature a talented American and international professional athlete field, charity runners, and thousands of runners of all ages and abilities. More than 10,000 volunteers help to support participants across the 26.2-mile race route, which touches each of New York City's five boroughs, and is lined with more than one million neighbors and guests. Last year, NYRR celebrated each of the 50,530 runners who crossed the finish line and made the 2014 TCS New York City Marathon the largest in the world, including the one-millionth finisher ever in the history of the event. Participants hailed from more than 130 countries and each of the 50 states.

The 2015 TCS New York City Marathon will again air live locally on ABC7 and nationally on ESPN2.

# **About the TCS New York City Marathon**

The TCS New York City Marathon is the premier event of New York Road Runners (NYRR) and the largest marathon in the world. Held annually on the first Sunday in November, the race features the world's top professional athletes and a vast range of competitive, recreational, and charity runners. The race began in 1970 with just 127 entrants running four laps around Central Park, and expanded citywide in 1976. In 2014, a record 50,530 runners from 130 countries toured New York City's five boroughs, starting on Staten Island at the foot of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge, and running through the neighborhoods of Brooklyn, Queens, and the Bronx, before ending in Manhattan at the iconic Central Park finish line. More than one million spectators line the city streets to cheer on the runners, while millions more watch the live television broadcast in the United States and around the world. The race is part of the Abbott World Marathon Majors, a series featuring the world's top marathons—Tokyo, Boston, London, Berlin, Chicago, and New York—and crowning the top professional male and female marathoners of the series. Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), a leading global IT services, consulting, and business solutions organization, is the premier partner of NYRR and the title sponsor of the TCS New York City Marathon. To learn more, visit www.tcsnycmarathon.com.