



## Tanya Srdanovic Cyclist 2016 and 2015

Tanya Srdanovic first really got to know cancer at her first job maintaining pediatric medical records at a large cancer center. Back then, all the records were hard copy and a few of the more unfortunate children had more than 30 folders representing visits and procedures. This experience was the beginning of her dedication to helping fight cancer any way she can.

“It was heartbreaking to pull files on readmission and deliver them to the unit, and devastating when the call came that a child lost their battle and the records had to be retrieved,” she remembers. She knew then that she would always try and make some contribution in an effort to help. Each year Tanya selects an event to help raise money toward the fight against cancer and in 2015 she rode Closer to Free for the first time.

“When I first learned about the ride I thought it was a great name for a biking event,” she says. “I feel most free while riding...free from stress, anger, worry, responsibility and nothing but good is my road ahead.” Tanya knows that for many, the freedom to easily hop on a bike and enjoy one of life’s simplest pleasures is not an option. She rides for those who can’t, to help raise money and awareness, and to share the hope that someday we will cure and ultimately prevent cancer.

