

TBI Resources for Educators

Brain 101

The Oregon Center for Applied Science, with funding from the National Institute of Health, created an evidence-based interactive website for school-wide concussion management.

<http://brain101.orcasinc.com>

Brain Injury Association of America

This is the country's oldest and largest nationwide brain injury advocacy organization. The following link will take you to an abundance of information on pediatric brain injury.

<http://www.biausa.org/brain-injury-children.htm>

The Brain Injury Association of New York State (BIANYS)

BIANYS offers a free webinar led by Dr. Brian P. Rieger, the Director of the Upstate Sports Concussion Center. Dr. Rieger discusses the challenges faced by students returning to the classroom after sustaining a mild TBI, especially in cases of complicated or prolonged recovery. He also reviews a variety of academic accommodations that can be implemented to assist these students. Also provided below are links to more resources available from BIANYS.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a5IkUlyi9cQ>

<http://bianys.org/resources.htm>

http://www.projectlearnnet.org/for_teachers.html#resources

Brain Injury Association of North Carolina (BIANC)

BIANC's website houses a wide range of information about TBI in NC.

<http://bianc.net/index.html>

BrainLine

Provides information on preventing, treating, and living with traumatic brain injury.

<http://www.brainline.org/>

BrainLine Kids

BrainLineKids helps parents, educators, and professionals communicate and develop common goals to help kids with TBI.

http://www.brainline.org/landing_pages/features/blkids.html

BrainSTEPS Program

PA Department of Health and the PA Department of Education via the Brain Injury Association of PA implement the BrainSTEPS Brain Injury School Re-Entry Consulting Program to assist schools in creating appropriate educational plans for students following acquired brain injuries. BrainSTEPS consists of 31 statewide brain injury consulting teams consisting of educational, medical, and rehabilitation professionals, as well as family members.

<http://www.brainsteps.net>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

The US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention conducts research and offers programs, such as the “Heads Up” initiative, which “work to prevent TBI and help people better recognize, respond, and recover if a TBI occurs.” The CDC also provides numerous articles and fact sheets on TBI. The CDC also has a great Handout for Educators about students returning to school after a concussion.

<http://cdc.gov/traumaticbraininjury/>

Center for Parent Information and Resources (CPIR)

CPIR now houses all of the TBI information from the National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities (NICHCY). NICHCY is a central source for information on disabilities in infants, toddlers, children, and youth; IDEA; No Child Left Behind (as it relates to children with disabilities); and research-based information on effective educational practices. A direct link to their information on TBI is provided below.

<http://www.parentcenterhub.org/repository/tbi/>

Center on Brain Injury Research and Training (CBIRT)

CBIRT is a center under the office of Research, Innovation, and Graduate Education (RIGE) at the University of Oregon. CBIRT conducts research and training to improve the lives of children and adults with traumatic brain injury (TBI). CBIRT’s research focuses on developing interventions to improve outcomes related to education, employability, and quality of life. Our training activities promote the use of best practices among educators and other professionals who serve individuals with TBI.

<http://cbirt.org>

<http://cbirt.org/resources/educators/>

Colorado TBI Resource Network

This website was designed through funding from the Colorado TBI Trust Fund. The site serves as a tool for educators, schools administrators, school psychologists, related service professionals, and families. Feel free to join in the discussion and learn more about how to support kids with brain injuries.

<http://cokidswithbraininjury.com/>

Ferris State University

The Disabilities Services Department at Ferris State University has a webpage listing a range of inclusive teaching strategies that may be especially helpful for students in higher grades.

<http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/colleges/university/disability/faculty-staff/classroomissues/traumatic-brain/TBI-ABI-strategy.htm>

Get Schooled On Concussions

This website provides information on the Return to Learn process for parents, school nurses, counselors, teachers, and other educators. One-page fact sheets are available on topics ranging from concussion symptoms to writing a 504 plan.

www.getschooledonconcussions.com

Improving Identification of Students with TBI

Ohio Center for Autism and Low Incidence (OCALI)

http://www.ocali.org/project/learn_about_tbi/page/improving_identification_of_students_with_tbi

Mount Sinai Medical School

The Mt. Sinai Medical School has an online brochure entitled Students with Traumatic Brain Injury: Identification, Assessment, and Classroom Accommodations that covers many topics and also provides case studies.

http://icahn.mssm.edu/static_files/MSSM/Files/Research/Centers/Traumatic%20Brain%20Injury%20Central/TBIKIDS.pdf

The National Association of School Psychologists (NASP)

NASP has created a publication that discusses a variety of important topics about returning to school after a concussion including symptoms to look for and academic adjustments that may be necessary. The second link below provides information about TBI and personality change.

<http://www.nasponline.org/publications/cq/40/6/return-to-learning.aspx>
<http://www.nasponline.org/publications/cq/39/7/traumatic-brain-injury.aspx>

The National Association of Special Education Teachers (NASSET)

NASSET provides disability-specific practical resources for special education teachers. Their section on TBI includes information on prevalence, causes, characteristics, accommodations and modifications, classroom management, assessment, medical issues, medication, and more.

<http://www.naset.org/traumaticbraininj2.0.html#c9611>

The Sarah Jane Brain Project

The mission of the Sarah Jane Brain Project is to develop a seamless, standardized, evidence-based system of care universally accessible for all children/young adults and their families dealing with PA/TBI regardless of where they live in the nation. This PA/TBI Model System of care, called the National Pediatric Acquired Brain Injury Plan (PABI Plan) is found on this website.

<http://www.thebrainproject.org>

ThinkFirst Foundation

This is a national injury prevention program. The website offers prevention program materials, fact sheets, statistics, etc. There is also a special section for kids, youth, and teens.

<http://thinkfirst.org/home>

UGotBrains?

This website provides information to help spread the word to teens about the serious consequences of brain injury.

<http://www.ugotbrains.com>