~Altering Our Course~

31st Annual State of the States in Head Injury Virtual Learning Conference

Event Program

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE HEAD INJURY ADMINISTRATORS
Welcome Aboard!

Change can be a good thing. For 31 years the National Association of State Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA) has worked to bring you quality content on cutting-edge issues related to brain injury during an in-person event structured for learning and networking with your colleagues to maximize your experience. This year, we are excited to kick off our completely virtual event. We believe we have created an online experience that will still allow you to learn and to network while maintain your health and well-being.

Altering Our Course, our 31st Annual State of the States (SOS) Conference, continues to hold the distinction of being the only annual national conference designed to foster communication and professional development among state government brain injury program administrators. Each year, key state and federal government employees, consumers, Brain Injury Association of America chartered affiliates, US Brain Injury Alliance associates and other professionals responsible for an array of brain injury prevention, rehabilitation, community integration programs and services, assemble for this conference. The conference is open to all involved in the field of brain injury, public and private program providers, administrators, providers, advocates, individuals with brain injury, families and anyone interested in service delivery for brain injury prevention, rehabilitation, community and support services. SOS includes a combination of live and archived sessions in a variety of formats and an exhibit hall for event sponsors and attendees to visit.

NASHIA was the first organization to address state government’s significant role in formulating policies, programs, and services for brain injury. Since 1990, our mission remains the same: to assist states in promoting partnerships and building systems to meet the needs of individuals with brain injury and their families. The organization has continued to grow and prosper by adding many new initiatives along the way. Each year new partners and policymakers in the brain injury arena support the organization by joining or assisting in training, collaboration or sponsorship. NASHIA believes state service delivery systems should reach out to and provide support for all individuals with brain injuries, including those from culturally and linguistically diverse communities, in setting their own goals, determining their own needs, and choosing their own services and supports in culturally appropriate environments. NASHIA values collaborative approaches across organizations and systems and the contributions of all partners who share the organization’s goals. For more information about us visit www.nashia.org.

Instructions are available throughout this program and within your agenda at a glance on how to access sessions. Be sure to look for additional information within the Remo conference platform as well. The SOS HUB is your one-stop source of information about events, handouts, archived sessions, podcasts, fun activities, links and more!

NASHIA Supports Full Participation This means involving and supporting individuals in all activities by providing tools, resources, and supports so that they are equal, contributing members with a sense of belonging. To build a solid foundation for full participation, it is vital to create an environment and work towards applying practices conducive to achieving this goal. For more information about Full Participation and suggested guidelines, visit the SOS HUB.
Virtual Exhibit Hall  Our 2020 event space for sponsors and exhibitors features a unique experience for attendees. Utilizing Remo, a cutting-edge platform, you will access products and services shared through video and live discussion during the event. Each exhibitor is hosting their own virtual space, allowing you ample time for personal interactions with them. Check your agenda at a glance for the scheduled exhibit hall times and locations throughout the day on both September 22-23, with a final 2-hour block incorporating interactive activities and a state showcase.

State Showcase  One of the greatest benefits of the SOS meeting is the opportunity to network and learn from peers. “Visit” with other attendees and participate in this knowledge exchange by viewing products that you and your state partners have created. Everyone is welcome! You can choose to stay at your table and greet visitors virtually or check out the resources other states have to offer. Check the agenda for the location and access details.

TBI Grantee Work Group Sessions  are hosted by states funded by the Administration for Community Living (ACL). The first portion of these two-hour meetings are didactic discussions led by Subject Experts on a variety of topics that grantees are focused on individually and collectively. All are welcome to join for the first portion and CEs are available for that segment of the meeting. The second portion is devoted to grant activities, and, unless otherwise noted, closed to all but the grantees themselves.

Podcasts  are another way to access cutting-edge information on trending issues. All five podcasts are available for you to listen to anytime during the conference and beyond. The links for each podcast are located in your agenda. If you are interested in CEs, once you’ve accessed and listened, visit the podcast link and complete the evaluation and your certificate will be emailed to you.

Regional Hospitality Suites  promote collaboration by connecting with familiar colleagues and new peers. Two regional hospitality suites are hosted at the end of each day during the main agenda, September 22 and 23. NASHIA is hosting invited Regional Administrators from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the Administration for Community Living (ACL). Please join these engaging, informal discussions based on your state of residence. Links are included on the agenda at a glance.

NASHIA Regions:

- **West**
- **Central**
- **Southeast**
- **Northeast**
Continuing Education Credits or Certificates of Attendance are available for our event. In order to keep your costs low, credits are bundled together during the event and offered at the end of each day. Simply attend the sessions, complete the evaluations depending on your discipline and certificates will be emailed to you. If you have to miss a session, recordings will be archived on our website afterwards. This activity is currently pending approval from the Alabama Board of Social Work, American Psychological Association and the Commission on Rehabilitation Counseling Certification for SW, APA and CRC continuing education credits. *APA credits are only available for plenary sessions and the post-intensive workshop.

Online Store While on our website, be sure to check out the merchandise within the store. There is something there for everyone, and for work or for play. A portion of the proceeds goes to our organization. The NASHIA Store is sponsored through Windy Hill Designs, LLC.

Speaking of fun... Our SOS fun committee has been focused on helping conference attendees get the most out of their virtual conference experience to stay focused, have fun, and take healthy breaks along the way. There is also opportunity for some friendly competition to keep you engaged! Within the SOS HUB you will find a folder including links to coloring sheets, movement break ideas, the State Showcase Hidden Treasures Hunt and Exhibit Expedition Bingo. Follow the instructions on the form and you may win a prize! As you attend the Regional Hospitality Suites, there's a cocktail mocktail recipe list, and we encourage you to wear or share something that represents your state.

Please feel free to post pictures and comments using NASHIA’s new tagline: #supportgrowconnect

NASHIA’s Mission:
Assisting State government in promoting partnerships and building systems to meet the needs of individuals with brain injury and their families.

#SUPPORTGROWCONNECT
What a wild year! Who would have guessed last year, while celebrating our
30th anniversary in Kansas City, that 2020 would present such extraordinary and
challenging times? NASHIA has seen an incredible amount of change over the
past year, we could call this the year of technology, as we have modernized our
logo, website, and software, and for the first time, elected our Board Officers while
bringing the Conference to you virtually. We could also refer to this as the year of
growth. Since October 2019, NASHIA has grown significantly, adding new staff,
new services and increased revenue. The TBI TARC contract was an important
part of our growth this year. In the face of a global pandemic, Americans began to
acknowledge the presence of systemic racism and social inequity. I am proud of NASHIA’s
commitment to supporting opportunities that improve access across public health delivery
systems. NASHIA recognizes this opportunity and is committed to continuing the conversation and
improving equity.

A BIG thank you to a very hard-working team of staff members and the SOS Planning
Committee, led by our incredible co-chairs, Jennifer Braun (AKA, Tech Savant) and Jill
Tilbury, we have an exciting experience planned. We kick off the week with the Main Event
on Tuesday and continue with work group sessions and podcasts. Our post-conference
intensive on September 29th is focused on Health Equity and Brain Injury. Please engage,
renew, network, and learn from the wonderful experts we have lined up for you! I am
honored to have served as President for the past two years, and excited to pass along the
brightly burning torch to our new team of Board Officers!

Heather Hotchkiss, Board President

NASHIA Board of Directors

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Day 1: Tuesday, September 22

(All times listed are Eastern Time)

9:30a-10:00a Conference Warm-Up
Jump on early and get comfortable with the platform, socialize with friends and colleagues!

10:00a-10:15a Conference Introduction & Overview of Events
Rebecca Wolfkiel, NASHIA Executive Director, Heather Hotchkiss, NASHIA Board President Remo

10:15a-11:00a Virtual Exhibit Hall Remo Floors 5 and 6

11:00a-11:30a Plenary 1: Customized Approaches for Brain Injury and Addiction Disorders
This presentation will provide an overview for developing phased-care plans for people living with brain injury and substance use disorders. Case examples will illustrate the development of realistic treatment goals and the modification of common interventions to suit the specific needs of clients. Additionally, harm reduction and overdose prevention will be discussed as important strategies for engaging people with brain injury and/or drug use and centering self-determination and safety. Carolyn Lemsky, PhD, University of Toronto, Laura Bartolomei-Hill, LCSW, Maryland Behavioral Health Administration Remo

Plenary Sponsor: Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission

12:30p-1:00p Break/Virtual Exhibit Hall Remo Floors 5 and 6

1:00p-2:00p Plenary 2: Brain Injury & Intimate Partner Violence: Policy & Process
This presentation will describe efforts to provide education, screen for, or treat brain injuries resulting from intimate partner violence and examine what is known about the prevalence of brain injuries resulting from intimate partner violence, including HHS efforts to determine prevalence. Two states, Ohio and Iowa, will review program efforts and materials created for training and education. Ashley Dixon & Danielle Bernstein, US Government Accountability Office, Rachel Ramirez, LISW-S, RA, Ohio Domestic Violence Network, Maggie Ferguson, Iowa Brain Injury Program Remo

Plenary Sponsor: The Ohio State University

2:00p-2:30p Break/Virtual Exhibit Hall Remo Floors 5 and 6

2:30p-3:30p Plenary 3: Employment—Celebrating 100 Years with Vocational Rehabilitation
This session will celebrate the anniversary of the VR federal program, providing its counseling history and legislative milestones. Special initiatives geared towards maximizing successful employment outcomes for individuals with brain injury will be presented. Alabama’s program will share the department’s customized and unique approaches to ensure smooth transition from hospital to home to preparation to work. Stephen Wooderson, Council of State Administrators of Vocational Rehabilitation, Jane Elizabeth Burdeshaw, MA, CRC, April Turner, MA, CRC, Lisa Le, MS, CRC, LPC, Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services Remo

3:30p-5:00p Break/Virtual Exhibit Hall Remo Floors 5 and 6

3:45p-4:45p Advisory Board Forum: Ensuring Member Engagement
Join hosts Bryan Pugh and Caitlin Starr from the BIAMD for an interactive discussion of the various components of creating full engagement within state advisory councils for all members, specifically those with brain injury, family members and caregivers who support them. Martin Kerrigan, Tom Gallup, Laurie Elinoff, Kara Melcavage, Linda Hutchinson-Troyer Zoom

Premier Sponsor: Brain Injury Association of Maryland
Regional Hospitality Suites & Facilitated Discussion: Developing Partnerships  Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration, (SAMHSA) Administration for Community Living (ACL) Regional Representatives, SOS Regional Attendees

5:00p-6:30p ET   SAMHSA/ACL Regions 1,2,3 and 5 and NASHIA Northeast Region (see map)
**Sponsor:** Woods Services  Zoom

7:00p-8:30p ET   SAMHSA/ACL Regions 8, 9, and 10 and NASHIA Western Region (see map)
**Sponsor:** Center for Brain Injury Research & Training institute  Zoom

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**Day 2: Wednesday, September 23**

10:00a-10:30a  Conference Warm-Up
10:30a-11:00a  What NASHIA Can Do for You
An overview of services and supports, as well as technical assistance opportunities that NASHIA can provide to members for building and increasing state infrastructure will be shared in this session.  Rebecca Wolfkiel and Staff, NASHIA  Remo

*Special Announcement: Lifetime Advocacy Award*

11:00a-12:00p  Plenary 4: Aging & Older Adults– Screening & Legislation
This session will provide insight into the implications of aging with a brain injury and review how screening and identification of brain injury within older adult settings can positively impact therapeutic interventions. The Older Americans Act reauthorization has included language for screening; learn how this will be addressed nationally, and how Massachusetts has initiated services and supports for older adults with brain injury.  John D. Corrigan, PhD, Director, Ohio BI Program, Gabriela Lawrence-Soto, Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, Marci Phillips, National Council on Aging  Remo

*Special Announcement: Katie Cash Award*

12:05p-12:30p  Virtual Exhibit Hall  Remo Floors 5 and 6

12:30p-1:30p  Plenary 5: Communities Stepping Up to the Challenge: A look at VA/SAMHSA Governor’s Challenge Suicide Prevention Efforts
This interdepartmental co-led session will give participants background and insight into the state-led national suicide prevention collaboration undertaken VA/SAMHSA known as the Governors Challenge to End Suicide Among Service members, Veterans and their Families. Resource sharing and highlights of early outcomes from state efforts will be shared.  Cicely Burrows-McElwain, SAMHSA, Andrea Le, MPH, Veterans Health Administration , Liz Barnes, PREVENTS Deputy Director, Karen J. Migdail, PREVENTS Communications Advisor  Remo

*Special Announcement: William AB Ditto Excellence in Public Policy Award*

1:40p-3:30p  Virtual Exhibit Hall  Remo Floors 5 and 6
1:40p-3:30p  State Showcase  Participating States  Remo Floor 4
**Sponsor:** Administration for Community Living

3:30p-5:00p  Membership Meeting and Core Conference Wrap up
Open to all Attendees, NASHIA Board Members & Staff

Regional Hospitality Suites & Facilitated Discussion: Developing Partnerships
Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration, Administration for Community Living Regional Representatives, SOS Regional Attendees

5:00p-6:30p ET   SAMHSA/ACL: Regions 4 and 6 and NASHIA Southeast Region
**Sponsor:** Tennessee Department of Health & Brain Links  Zoom

6:00p-7:30p ET   SAMHSA/ACL Regions 5, 6 and 7 and NASHIA Central Region
**Sponsor:** Texas Department of Human Services  Zoom
Thursday, September 24
11:30a-12:30p  Transition/Employment: Creating Universal BI Competencies for Vocational Rehabilitation Staff
TBI can affect an individual’s ability to return to work and reintegrate into their communities. There are a number of persistent challenges that interfere with finding and keeping a job. This presentation provides an overview of essential competencies that vocational rehabilitation (VR) counselors need when serving and reintegrating individuals with TBI. Current employment research, practices, and policies will be presented. Christina Dillahunt, PhD, CRC, CVE, ICVE, CLCP, CBIST, CRS University of South Florida Remo
12:30p-1:30p  Work group meeting  Zoom
1:30p-2:30p  Break
2:30p-3:45p  Sustainable Partnerships: Developing and Maintaining Partnerships: Thinking Outside the Box
This session provides insight on how to develop and sustain partnerships and brain injury initiatives within the context of crisis and competing priorities. The need for this has never been more pressing than it is now, considering the need to navigate the COVID pandemic. Attendees will learn how to move initiatives forward and how to sustain partnerships and initiatives long-term. Alyssa Carrier, CEO, AC Disaster Consulting Remo
3:45p-4:30p  Work group meeting  Zoom

Friday, September 25
11:00a-12:15p  Waivers/Trust Funds: Medicaid Options for Brain Injury
Learn about a variety of Medicaid options for states to utilize and how to leverage existing waivers to support individuals with brain injury. Additionally, learn strategies for forging partnerships with state Medicaid agencies. An in-depth review of the 1915(i) Medicaid plan option and a brief history of North Dakota’s ongoing behavioral health reform will be discussed, as well as how state education and advocacy can lead to the inclusion of brain injury in the state’s 1915(i) SPA application. Teja Stokes, National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services, Rebecca Quinn, North Dakota Rural Health Remo
12:15p–1:00p  Work group meeting  Zoom
1:00p-1:15p  Break
All NASHIA attendees are welcome to attend the two-hour session; CEs are available
The ACL-funded criminal and juvenile justice (CJJ) workgroup has produced, with technical assistance from NASHIA, the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Best Practice Guide: Information and Tools for State Brain Injury Programs. This session launches this new resource with a webinar by the author to gain an understanding of the purpose, contents and recommended use of the guide as state brain injury programs seek to work with CJJ partners for the identification and support of people with brain injuries. Judy Dettmer, NASHIA Strategic Partnerships Director Following the presentation, a panel representing various CJJ systems will help participants understand how to maximize use of the guide in working with CJJ programs in their state, along the intercepts of the Sequential Intercept Model. The panel will help participants effectively communicate system gaps that can be addressed through BI identification and supports. Moderator: Peter Bisbecos, Executive Director of Resource Facilitation & Neuropsychology Departments at RHIN. Panelists: Risa Klemme, ADA Compliance Manager, WA Department of Corrections, Russha Knauer, Division of Probation Services, CO Judicial Branch, Peggy Reisher, Executive Director, BIA of NE, MJ Schmidt, Training & Outreach Coordinator, BIA of PA Remo
3:15p-3:30p  Break
3:30p-4:30p  Using Data to Connect People to Services: Determining State BI Prevalence
There are a number of challenges related to collecting an accurate picture of the number of individuals sustaining and living with brain injury in states. This can significantly impact funding, resources and legislation efforts. This presentation will cover methods to estimate TBI prevalence at the state level and examples of the use of incidence and prevalence to make decisions in service delivery and supports. CB Eagye, MS, Research Associate/Data Analyst, Craig Hospital Remo
4:30p-5:30p  Work group meeting  Zoom
Monday, September 28

11:00a-12:15p  Opioids/Substance Use Disorders: Understanding the Issues
Substance use and brain injury, and those impacted by both, are significant. State systems need to gain a comprehensive understanding of the magnitude in terms of incidence, disparities and issues involved in providing services. Hear from systems engaged in discovering data, best practices and partnerships to address these issues. Rachel Adams, PhD, Brandeis University, Charles Smith, PhD, SAMHSA Region 8 Rep, Jeanne Hoffman, PhD, University of Washington
12:15p-1:00p  Work group meeting  Zoom

1:00p-1:15p  Break

1:15p-2:15p  Underserved Populations: Outreach and Screening
Historically underserved populations are in greatest need of supports, but often unaware or unable to access. This session will utilize two community experts in order to expose attendees to successful outreach strategies in connecting with two specific populations, Native Americans and survivors within domestic violence settings who live with brain injury. Rachel Ramirez, LISW-S, RA, Ohio Domestic Violence Network, Susan Wolf, PhD, Empowerment Research
1:15p-2:15p  Work group meeting  Zoom

2:15p-3:15p  Break

3:00p-3:30p  Advisory Boards & Consumer Engagement: Funding Sources and Practices
Creating and sustaining a state brain Injury council brings its own challenges. Establishing best practices and locating funding sources for programs and services to enhance state infrastructure requires a solid plan, staff and partner supports. Learn how a sample of states address issues, manage current efforts, pursue legislation, and funding. Maria Crowley, MA, Professional Development Director, Scott Pokorny, MSW, North Carolina Department of Health Human Services, Karen Ferrington, MA, CRC, MINDSOURCE-Brain Injury Network
3:15p-4:15p  Work group meeting  Zoom

3:30p-5:30p  Work group meeting  Zoom

Post-Intensive Workshop: Tuesday, September 29
Health Equity & Brain Injury: Populations and Practices

Premier Sponsor: Neurorestorative

11:15a-12:30p  Plenary 1: Understanding Social Determinants of Health to Achieve Health Equity
It has always been important to understand how social determinants of health influence health equity. The COVID pandemic and racial inequities that continue to persist and worsen make understanding its impact even more urgent now. This session will provide attendees with a foundational understanding of health inequities, how this is associated with social determinants of health and, importantly, & provide attendees with strategies for improving health equity. Kierra Barnett, PhD, MPH, Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity
12:30p-12:45p  Break

12:45p-1:45p  Plenary 2: Health Disparities During COVID
As the pandemic has spread across the country deaths have disproportionately occurred in vulnerable populations such as those with brain injuries. This session will describe the social determinants of health and clinically processes to address them. Lori Raney, MD, and Caitlin Thomas-Henkel, MSW, Health Management Associates
1:45p-2:00p  Break

2:00p-3:00p  Plenary 3: Homelessness and Health Implications
States are looking for answers on how to best address the challenges related to providing supports for individuals with TBI who are homeless, and who may have other co-occurring behavioral health issues. This session will provide attendees with an understanding of the connection between brain injury and homelessness, and strategies to address the unique needs of this population. Caitlin Synovec, OTD, OTR/L, BCMH, National Healthcare for the Homeless
3:00p-3:30p  Closing Remarks  Rebecca Wolfkiel, NASHIA
Panel Podcasts

Available at any time after September 22

A. Concussion: While Awaiting the Delayed Concussion Consensus Meeting of Paris 2020, What Do We Know Now?

**Signature Sponsor: NASHIA REAP**

This podcast is for those who have waited with bated breath for the Paris Concussion Consensus meeting scheduled for October 2020. Unfortunately, COVID-19 has postponed the meeting until October 2021. Breathe easy, this podcast will engage inter-disciplinary experts in discussions and musings regarding current trends and best practices in concussion management.

**Moderator:** Karen McAvoy, PsyD, Get Schooled on Concussions

**Panelists:** Mark Halstead, MD, Tamara McCloud, PhD, ATC, FNATA, Jamie Higa, PsyD Candidate

B. Criminal & Juvenile Justice: An International Discussion

**Signature Sponsor: NASHIA Leading Practices Academy**

This podcast is for those interested in stretching their mind, challenging their assumptions, and learning about approaches for improving outcomes for justice-involved individuals with brain injury. Listeners will hear the perspectives of researchers and clinicians from Canada, England, the United States, and from an individual who has experienced the issues of brain injury and the system firsthand.

**Moderator:** Kim Gorgens, PhD, University of Denver

**Panelists:** Catherine Wiseman Hakes, PhD, Huw Williams, PhD, Marchell Taylor, Cory Shively, AYBOS Business Director

C. Public Policy: Best Practices in Advocacy

**Signature Sponsor: Ridge Policy Group**

This podcast is for those who are dabbling in policy as well as for those seasoned policy wonks! During this podcast we discuss past and present brain injury policy as well as explore what is in store for the future. Finally, this podcast explores the impact advocacy can have on policy.

**Moderator:** Becky Corby, NASHIA Governmental Affairs Consultant

**Panelists:** Carrie Swope, Jennifer Braun, Susan Vaughn, MEd

D. Engagement for All: Strategies for Uncertain Times

**Signature Sponsor: Human Services Research Institute**

The collective crisis we are experiencing this year presents an opportunity to do all kinds of things differently – including and specifically engaging with survivors and their families to create person-centered brain injury programs and systems. In this podcast, a panel of survivors and a program administrator will dialogue about how we can better engage in 2020 and beyond.

**Moderator:** Bevin Croft, PhD, National Center on Advancing Person-Centered Practices & Systems

**Panelists:** Carole Starr, Kelly Lang, Anne McDonnell

E. Behavioral Health: Exploring the Complexities of Brain Injury and Behavioral Health

**Signature Sponsor: Craig Hospital**

This podcast is for those who structure policy, develop programing, and treat individuals with co-occurring behavioral health and brain injury. The complexities of mental health treatment for those with brain injury will be explored as well as strategies for moving towards integrated physical and behavioral health care.

**Moderator:** Lenore Hawley, MSW, Craig Rehabilitation Hospital

**Panelists:** Lisa Brenner, PhD, Eric Spier, MD, and Bibi Stang, PhD

*NASHIA would like to thank Kendra Lee for her podcast production and editing work*
MEET OUR EXHIBITORS

Administration for Community Living
Creating a system of services and supports maximizing the independence, well-being, and health of people with TBI across the lifespan, their families and caregivers.

Brain Injury Association of Maryland
The only statewide nonprofit organization in Maryland that strives to amplify the voices of those affected by brain injury through advocacy, education, and research.
Caitlin Starr, Associate Director, 410.448.2924, www.biamd.org

Brain Links
Enriching the lives of Tennesseans with traumatic brain injury (TBI) by training and empowering the professionals serving them.
Paula Denslow, Director, 615.585.2998, www.tndisability.org/brain

Center for Brain Injury Research and Training
CBIRT conducts research and training to improve the lives of children and adults with brain injury.
Laurie Powell, Project Director, 541-346-0595, www.cbirt.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Public health agency, headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, focused on protecting public health and safety through the control and prevention of disease, injury, and disability in the US and internationally.

Craig Hospital
A 93-bed inpatient/outpatient, not-for-profit hospital offering acute, short and long-term care. A free-standing, national center of excellence, treating more than 35,000 patients with SCI and TBI since 1956.
Alannah Smith, Marketing/Communications Manager, 303.789.8019, www.craighospital.org

CreateAbility Concepts, Inc.
Surveillance tool for tracking patient progress, person-centered planning, and executive function tools to support vocational or independent living goals.
Steve Sutter, President, 317.777.0356, www.createabilityinc.com

Heads Together Health
Heads Together Health aims to optimize patient outcomes using world class machine learning and technology platforms.
Steve Devrieze, CEO, www.headstogetherhealth.com

Human Services Research Institute
Since 1976, HSRI, non-profit research and policy organization has been working across all sectors and program areas in health and human services to craft community-based, person-driven service systems.
Bevin Croft, NCAPPS Co-Director, 617.335.0738, www.hsri.org
**Model Systems Knowledge Translation Center**
MSKTC offers free research-based resources for people with traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, and burn injury.

*Xinsheng Cai, Project Director, 202.403.6929, www.msktc.org*

**Moody Neurorehabilitation Institute**
A respected leader in brain-injury-specific rehabilitation. Providing a holistic approach to brain rehabilitation personalized care, centering around community re-entry and maximized quality of life.

*Josie Van, Clinical Liaison, 832.213.9537, www.moodyneuro.org*

**National Association of State Head Injury Administrators**
The leading source of information, technical assistance and collective representation on federal policy issues for state employees who support public brain injury programs.

*Rebeccah Wolfkiel, Executive Director, 202.681.7840, www.nashia.org*

**NeuroRestorative**
NeuroRestorative is a leading provider of post-acute rehabilitation services for people of all ages with brain injuries and other neurological challenges.

*Victoria Harding, VP Development, 512.470.7239, www.neurorestorative.com*

**Safe States Alliance**
The Safe States Alliance is a non-profit organization and professional association whose mission is to strengthen the practice of injury and violence prevention.

*Christa Thelen, Program Coordinator, 678.459.4939, www.safestates.org*

**Texas NeuroRehab Center**
Providing neurorehabilitation for patients with brain and spinal cord injuries for over 36 years. Located in South Austin with a 47-bed LTAC/Acute Rehab and a 22-bed Post-Acute Brain Injury Program.

*Stacy Stroia, Clinical Liaison, 512.987.4161, www.texasneurorehab.com*

**Texas Health and Human Services**
Brain Injury programs focused on education, prevention, resource facilitation and rehabilitation support to persons with a brain injury, caregivers and the community.

*Carrie Bradford, Manager, ABI Office, 512.438.4792, www.hhs.texas.gov*

**Vinland National Center**
Vinland is a residential substance abuse treatment center, meets the complex needs of adults with disabilities seeking treatment for drug and alcohol abuse, specializing in traumatic brain injuries and other cognitive issues.

*Molly Gilbert, Business Development Director, 763.474.3555, www.vinlandcenter.org*

**Woods Services**
Provider of comprehensive rehabilitation to adults with acquired brain injury incorporating innovative treatment, applied technology and evidenced-based research to help each individual live a fulfilling life.

*Tine Hansen-Turton, President/CEO, 215.750.4242, www.woods.org*
NASHIA Partners with Karen McAvoy, PsyD, Brain Injury Educational Consulting, LLC
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Is your state:
• Looking for a comprehensive resource on concussio management?
• Working to establish partnerships with medical providers, schools, youth and families around concussion management?
• Seeking training or consultation on concussion management?

**These products are your solution**

**Customize:** Dr. McAvoy will personalize REAP, including your state-specific details (personal concussion story, concussion law reference, local resources ...  

$1,000

**Implementation and training:**
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$300*

*Live webinar training: NASHIA will host ...  

$200

*Live on-site training: NASHIA will coordinate bringing Dr. McAvoy to your state (cost may vary depending on travel costs and number of trainings, includes honorarium) ...  

$2,000+

**Consultation:** NASHIA will coordinate 4, 1-hour follow-up web-based consultation sessions to assist your state implementation of concussion management protocols ...  

$600*

*Indirect charges will be applied

**About the creator**

Dr. McAvoy is a recognized leader in concussion management, return to school, and return to learn. As the author of REAP, a comprehensive, nationally acknowledged concussion management manual, Dr. McAvoy offers a clear plan and interdisciplinary approach for concussio management, including four teams; medical, school physical, school academic, and family. REAP has been customized for numerous states and continues to be the guide of choice, from ED to school to clinic.

**Interested?**

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**Check Out These NASHIA Resources**

**Tools For Your Trade:**

REAP The Benefits of Good Concussion Management

How every family, school and medical professional can implement a Community-Based Concussion Management Program

$1,000

$600*

$2,000+

$200

$300*
Check Out These NASHIA Resources

Tools For Your Trade:

NASHIA Partners with John D. Corrigan, PhD, Ohio Brain Injury Program: “What if There’s a Traumatic Brain Injury?”

Wexner Medical Center

Have you ever wondered if a person in your program might have a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) that is interfering with their ability to succeed?

OR

Have you worked with someone and wondered why that person is unsuccessful with treatment or supports?

OR

Do you work in the field of behavioral health, criminal justice, domestic violence, homelessness or related fields where the incidence of TBI is significantly higher?

Then this one-hour webinar is designed for you!

Packaged Options:

This training seeks to answer:
- What if there is a TBI
- What are the effects of TBI
- Why TBI is associated with behavior problems
- How to determine if someone has had a TBI

This training crosses many settings:
- Behavioral health
- Substance/Opioid misuse
- Criminal justice
- Homelessness
- Domestic violence

Onsite live training to initiate or follow up on the webinar: includes both an honorarium and per diem (NASHIA will coordinate any necessary travel fees provided by client)

Customized webinar to include information on your local resources, making this webinar even more helpful in your state

Coordinated access to the webinar and continuing education credits depending on your CE needs

Bundle and Save!

Coordinating CECs and customization

$1,000

$2,000

$750 +

$2,300

$3,500

*Prices do not include indirect charges

**This program is approved for 1 hour of continuing education, the University of Denver, Graduate School of Professional Psychology (GSPP) is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. GSPP maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

Interested?

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Please contact us for assistance with special access needs or accommodations

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Sponsored by Ohio State University & NASHIA, with support from Alabama & Colorado
We strive
to amplify the voices of those affected by brain injury through advocacy, education, and research.

We provide
health, hope, and healing to thousands of Marylanders living with brain injury, their families, and the professionals who serve them.

We are here.
1-800-221-6443
BIAMD.ORG

NeuroRestorative is a leading provider of post-acute and subacute rehabilitation and support services for adults and children with brain and spinal cord injuries and other neurological challenges. In a variety of locations and settings, we offer a continuum of care and community-based programs, including specialized pediatric and adolescent services as well as programs for veterans.

For more information or to make a referral:

📞 888-743-6802
✉️ neuroinfo@neurorestorative.com
🌐 neurorestorative.com
One out of two people living with a brain injury suffers from some form of substance abuse issue, according to the Office on Disability.

763.479.3555  
VinlandCenter.org

Residential and Outpatient Substance Use Treatment
for adults with TBI, cognitive deficits or multiple disabilities

- We make all possible accommodations for cognitive deficits and individual learning styles, as there are many causes of brain injury and each injury is unique.
- Our staff members are highly trained to work with those living with disabilities caused by brain injuries; most have earned a Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS) certification.

Two locations in Hennepin County, Minnesota

Our residential facility is on 180 acres, just 20 miles west of the Twin Cities on Lake Independence.

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Outpatient Services is on Stinson Boulevard in northeast Minneapolis. Rule 25 Assessments are offered at this location.

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Web-based Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS) Training, self-paced to accommodate busy schedules

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What Can NASHIA Do For You?

Professional Development
In addition to our annual conference, NASHIA hosts an array of in-person and virtual training opportunities trends and issues from experts in the field: informative webinars; numerous resources for download; a library of materials on brain injury related topics housed on our website.

Technical Assistance and Consultative Services
Our team understands the specific needs of state governments and nuances associated with building service delivery systems and capacity for individuals with brain injuries, and their families. Allow us to help your state create sustainable systems of care that are comprehensive, culturally sensitive, person-centered, and inclusive. Specific areas of support:

- Advisory Boards
- Brain Injury Speakers Bureau
- Data and Registries
- Dedicated State Funding
- Facilitation of Workshops & Summits
- Interagency Coordination & Partnerships
- National Trends & Best Practices
- Person-Centered Thinking & Planning
- Program Evaluation & Service Coordination
- Public Policy
- Resource Development
- State plan Development & Assessment

Public Policy
NASHIA represents your collective voice in Washington DC. We advocate for additional federal resources and facilitate important partnerships between agencies that result in a greater awareness of the needs of individuals living with brain injury. Add your voice to ours in March each year for Hill Day and meet your representatives to discuss state and federal legislation and funding.

Membership
NASHIA welcomes membership from: State Government Agencies, Employees, and Retirees; Community Organizations; Service Providers; Academic and Research Institutions; and any Brain Injury Stakeholder. All members benefit from regular newsletters, resources and publications, access to a national network of leaders, and professional development through online training and our annual conference.

Want More Information?
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NASHIA proudly endorses this education opportunity:

**BRAIN INJURY & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: INFORMING BEST PRACTICE**

*A SIX-PART WEBINAR SERIES FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS*

Presented by [CRAIG Neurorehabilitation & Research Hospital](https://www.craighospital.org) with funding from [MINDSOURCE Brain Injury Network](https://www.mindsourcenetwork.org)

Endorsed by the National Association of Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA) and the Colorado Behavioral Health Council

An estimated 2.8 million Americans sustain a traumatic brain injury annually, leaving them with an increased risk for behavioral health disorders. This webinar series is an opportunity for community behavioral health professionals to increase their knowledge and skills in serving this unique population. Participants can take part in one, multiple or all of the six webinars. There is no charge to attend, but pre-registration is required. For additional information, visit [craighospital.org/BIBH](https://www.craighospital.org/BIBH).

**WEBINAR 1 | October 7, 2020**

Traumatic Brain Injury & Neurobehavioral Health Outcomes: A Simplistic Overview of Complex Challenges
Eric Spier, MD, Inpatient Psychiatrist and Outpatient Brain Injury Director at Craig Hospital

**WEBINAR 2 | November 4, 2020**

Neuropsychiatric Consequences of Traumatic Brain Injury
David Arciniegas, MD, Director of Research at Marcus Institute for Brain Health; Clinical Professor of Neurology and Psychiatry at University of Colorado School of Medicine

**WEBINAR 3 | December 2, 2020**

Adapting Psychotherapy for Individuals Living with Moderate to Severe Brain Injury & Their Families
Lenore Hawley, LCSW, Brain Injury Counselor and Research Clinician at Craig Hospital

**WEBINAR 4 | January 6, 2021**

Evaluation & Management of Cognitive Impairments after Traumatic Brain Injury
David Arciniegas, MD, Director of Research at Marcus Institute for Brain Health; Clinical Professor of Neurology and Psychiatry at University of Colorado School of Medicine

**WEBINAR 5 | February 3, 2021**

Mild TBI & Co-Occurring Mental Health Conditions
Lisa Brenner, Ph.D., Rehabilitation Psychologist; Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Psychiatry and Neurology at University of Colorado; Director of Department of Veterans Affairs at Rocky Mountain Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center

**WEBINAR 6 | March 6, 2021**

Neuropsychological Assessment & Treatment
Bibi Stang, Ph.D., Clinical Neuropsychologist, Brain Injury Program at Craig Hospital

*Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits and certificates of participation available. Visit [craighospital.org/BIBH](https://www.craighospital.org/BIBH) for details.*
Brookhaven NeuroRehabilitation Network
building a new future

We offer a continuum of nationally-recognized programs and services for those affected by a brain injury and other neurological concerns. If you or someone you love is struggling to overcome the challenges created by a brain injury, contact us—we can help! There is hope for a better life.

NRI Neurologic Rehabilitation Institute at Brookhaven Hospital

A pioneering program for the post-acute rehabilitation of individuals with neurobehavioral issues that arise from a brain injury, neurological disorders, and related syndromes.

Brookhaven Hospital

Post concussive and dual-diagnosis programs available as inpatient and outpatient programs in a hospital-based setting.

Community neurorehab

Community-based neuro-behavioral rehabilitation services supported by a transdisciplinary staff. Our research-based approach offers hope to those recovering from a brain injury.

traumaticbraininjury.net  brookhavenhospital.com  communityneurorehab.com
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