Brain Injury Resources

Carolinas Rehabilitation, a part of Carolinas HealthCare System, provides resources to individuals and families affected by traumatic brain injury.

**BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATIONS**

- Brain Injury Association of America
  Phone: 800-444-6443
  www.biausa.org
- Brain Injury Association of North Carolina
  Phone: 800-377-1464
  www.bianc.net

**BRAIN INJURY WEBSITES**

- BrainLine
  www.brainline.org
- Carolinas Rehabilitation
  www.carolinashealthcare.org/carolinas-rehab
- Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center
  www.dvbic.org
- SupportWorks
  www.supportworks.org
- Training on Traumatic Brain Injury in North Carolina
  www.nctbitraining.org
- Traumatic Brain Injury Model System
  Understanding Traumatic Brain Injury
  www.msktc.org/tbi/

**BRAIN INJURY RESOURCES**

**State of North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services**

Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services
www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddas
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Phone numbers for the resources listed in this brochure often change. Contact Project STAR at 704-355-1502 if you need assistance reaching these agencies. To access resources statewide, contact the North Carolina Care Line at 800-662-7030. This line provides information and referral services for North Carolina.

Carolinas Rehabilitation
CarolinasHealthCare.org/rehabilitation

**CAROLINAS REHABILITATION**

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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

There are many agencies and resources within each community to assist individuals with brain injuries as well as family members and caregivers. Not all services are available in all areas. Contact the agencies and support groups in your community.

Brain Injury Association of North Carolina Resource Center. Sharing information with others in similar situations is often one of the best resources available. See the back of this brochure for contact information to request a list of support groups.

Local Management Entity (LME)/Managed Care Organization (MCO). In North Carolina, through the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services, LMEs/MCOs offer information and referrals for a range of services for individuals with traumatic brain injury. Visit www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/services/TBI/Index.htm or www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/providers/TBI/Index.htm to find out how to contact your LME/MCO. The Brain Injury Association of North Carolina Resource Center can also offer assistance.

Department of Social Services. Each county in North Carolina has a Department of Social Services that offers support to eligible individuals. Some of the services provided to those who qualify include case management, assistance for Medicaid eligibility and other government-assisted programs.

Call 919-733-3055 or visit www.ncdhhs.gov/dss to locate your county office.

North Carolina Social Security Administration (SSA). Apply for Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)/Supplemental Security Income (SSI). SSA administers federal and state benefit programs including SSDI and SSI.

Call 800-772-1213 or visit www.ssa.gov to locate the office nearest you.

North Carolina Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (NCDVR). NCDVR assists individuals with disabilities in preparing for and obtaining employment, including a wide variety of services for return to work.

Call 919-855-3500 or visit http://dvr.dhhs.state.nc.us to locate the office nearest you.

Vocational Rehabilitation Independent Living (VRIL). VRIL assists eligible individuals with significant disabilities in achieving greater independence in their homes and communities. These services may include home and vehicle modifications, personal assistance services, recreational therapy or counseling.

Call 800-689-9090 or visit http://dvr.dhhs.state.nc.us to locate the office nearest you.

United Way. United Way provides comprehensive referral and information services. Some United Way agencies offer free services to eligible individuals in crisis situations.

Call 800-966-8962 or visit www.unitedwaync.org to locate the office nearest you.

Disability Rights. Disability Rights of North Carolina (DRNC) protects and advocates for the rights of persons with disabilities, including individuals with brain injuries and their families. DRNC may provide information, technical assistance with personal advocacy, direct advocacy on behalf of a client and, in some cases, legal representation.

Call 877-235-4210 or visit www.disabilityrightsnc.org for more information.