



**BRAIN INJURY
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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

**BRAIN INJURY REHABILITATION ACROSS
THE LIFESPAN: ACHIEVING OUTCOMES AND
STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY**

An Annual Conference for Survivors, Caregivers, and Professionals

JUNE 22-23, 2026

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WELCOME TO THE 24th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA

Dear Attendees,

On behalf of the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania, our board of directors, and our conference committee, it is our great pleasure to welcome you to the 2026 Annual Conference **Brain Injury Rehabilitation Across the Lifespan: Achieving Outcomes and Strengthening Community**. Whether you are a survivor, caregiver, professional, or advocate, your presence here strengthens the vibrant and resilient community we are proud to serve.

Please take time to visit the exhibits from brain injury rehabilitation providers and Pennsylvania support agencies. Continuing education units and contact hours have been approved for a wide variety of professional disciplines.

This year's conference promises two days of learning, networking and connecting with others. Along with a variety of workshops being offered during our two days together, we are thrilled to feature an outstanding lineup of Keynote and Plenary speakers:

Monday's Opening Keynote: Madeline DiPasquale, PhD and Tracy Onyekanne, BA will discuss sharing your story after brain injury.

Monday Plenary: William Gardner, PhD and Todd Lewis, PhD will share insights and strategies for the assessment and intervention of neurobehavioral sequelae following acquired brain injury.

Tuesday Plenaries: In the morning, Dr. James Wilkes will teach us about the role and importance of sleep in recovery from acquired brain injury. In the afternoon, Kimberly Graham, BSN, MS, RN will discuss adults with brain injury and behavioral health needs.

We're also excited to offer **wellness sessions** that nourish both body and mind. Start your mornings with **Adaptive Chair Yoga led by Kelsey Palmer** and **Tai Chi with Alexander Landefeld**, designed to promote balance, relaxation, and healing.

Our annual **Awards Presentation** to honor and recognize individuals and organizations who demonstrate their commitment to the brain injury community will take place on Monday afternoon. Please also take time to visit the poster presentations and meet their authors on Monday as well.



A highlight of our community spirit is the beloved **Coffeehouse and Open Mic**, where survivors take the stage to share their poetry, music, and stories. This is more than a performance; it's a celebration of voice, creativity, and courage.

For our youngest community members and those who support them, Tuesday will offer specialized sessions focused on the unique challenges and triumphs of children and adolescents with brain injuries. We are proud to provide a space where **pediatric** professionals, families, caregivers, and advocates can learn and grow together.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Association Staff, and the Conference Committee, we welcome you to YOUR BIAPA 24th Annual Conference, **Brain Injury Rehabilitation Across the Lifespan: Achieving Outcomes and Strengthening Community!** We're so glad you're here!

Thank you for joining us in Lancaster for this meaningful gathering. Together, we celebrate empowerment, resilience, and the shared journey toward further healing and hope.

Warm regards,

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Stefanie Bauman & Madeline DiPasquale

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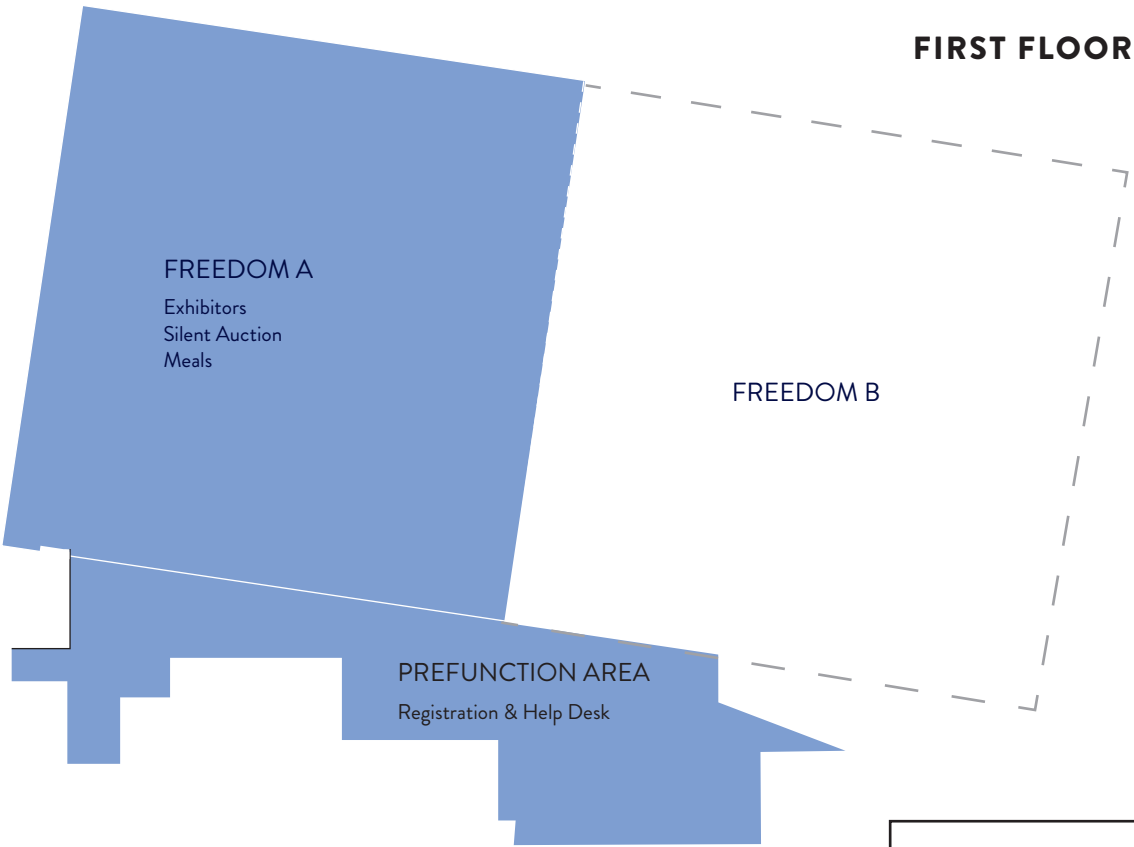
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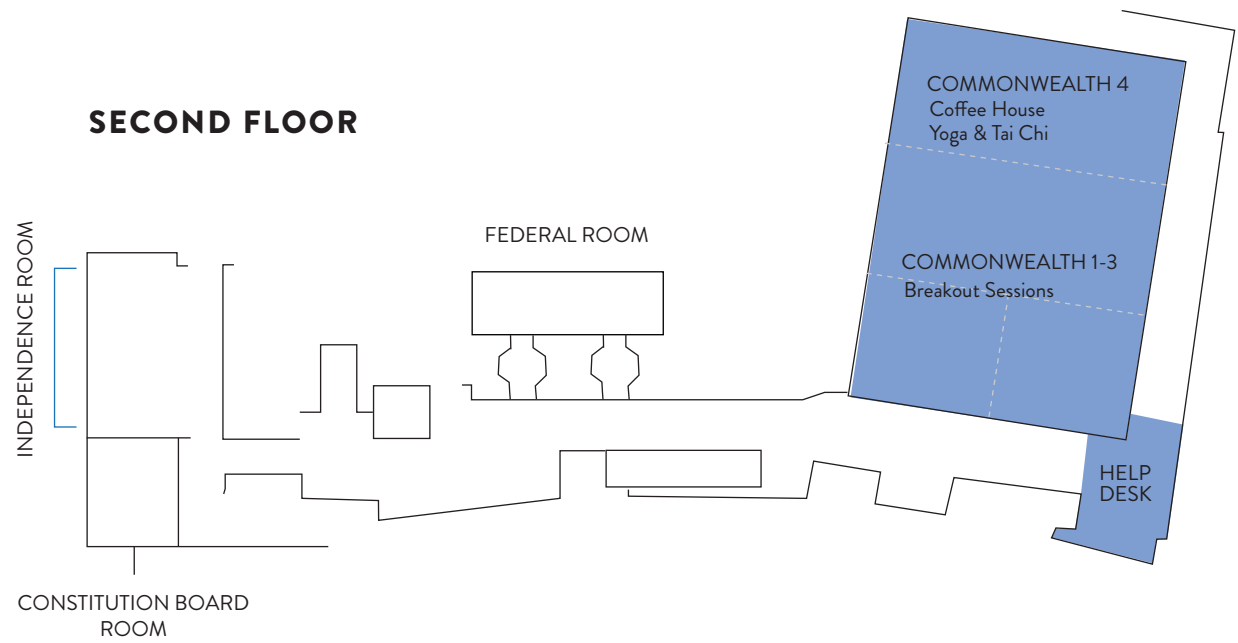
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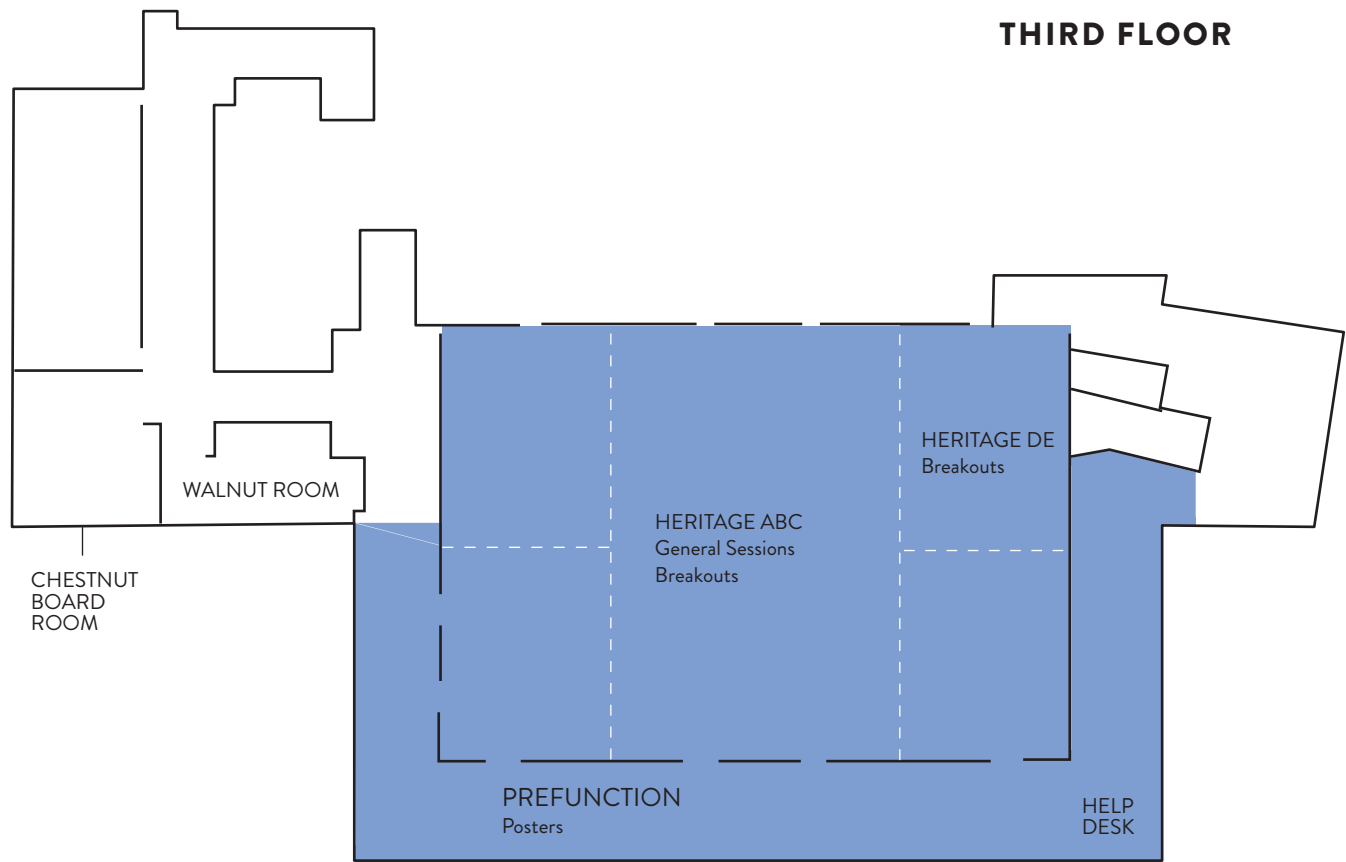
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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

MONDAY

Monday, June 22, 2026: 7:00 AM – 9:00 AM | *Freedom A & Heritage Prefunction*

REGISTRATION | BREAKFAST BUFFET | EXHIBITS | SILENT AUCTION *Freedom A (1st floor)*
POSTERS *Heritage Prefunction (3rd floor)*

Monday, June 22, 2026: 7:00 AM – 7:45 AM | *Commonwealth 4 (2nd floor)*

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Monday, June 22, 2026: 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM | *Heritage ABC (3rd floor)*

WELCOME AND OPENING KEYNOTE

“From Pain to Purpose: The Art of Storytelling After Brain Injury”

Speaker: Madeline DiPasquale, PhD and Tracy Onyekanne, BA

This keynote will begin with Madeline DiPasquale, PhD, President of the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania and a neuropsychologist, who will present on the clinical and psychosocial considerations of disclosure following brain injury. The discussion will address factors influencing disclosure decisions, including timing, context, perceived risks and benefits, and implications for psychological adjustment and community reintegration. Tracy Onyekanne, BA, a brain injury survivor and Vice President of the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania, will then share her lived experience and expertise in storytelling as a pathway to healing and advocacy. Through structured frameworks, guided reflection, and applied exercises, participants will explore strategies to support individuals with brain injury in communicating their experiences with authenticity and confidence. This session integrates clinical perspectives and lived experience to support postdoctoral-level understanding of identity, disclosure, and psychosocial adaptation following brain injury.

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Monday, June 22, 2026: 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM | [Heritage ABC \(3rd floor\)](#)

PLENARY

“Assessment and Interventions for Neurobehavioral Sequelae Following Traumatic Brain Injury”

Speakers: William Gardner, PhD, CBIS and Todd Lewis, PhD

This plenary session explores assessment and intervention strategies for neurobehavioral sequelae following traumatic brain injury. It highlights common cognitive, emotional, and behavioral changes post-injury, including impulsivity, mood disturbances, and executive dysfunction. Participants will learn ways to evaluate these symptoms using standardized tools and clinical assessments.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 11:30 AM – 11:45 AM | [Freedom A & Heritage Prefunction](#)

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Monday, June 22, 2026: 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | [Heritage ABC \(3rd floor\)](#)

SESSION #1

“The Empowerment of Peer Connections Among Adult Brain Injury Survivors Living in the Community” (PART I)

Speakers: Rebecca Crambert, PhD, William Gardner, PhD, CBIS, and panelists

After discharge from formal rehabilitative care, many adult brain injury survivors need to navigate the lifetime effects of their injury on their own. In this presentation, persons with lived experience will discuss some of the social losses after a brain injury and the power of connections with other survivors. Organic peer connections offer ongoing, real-time support, positive reinforcement, and skill development. The presenters met at a retreat and will share how the natural development of their connections has enhanced their recovery journey.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | [Commonwealth 1-3 \(2nd floor\)](#)

SESSION #2

“Connections Online: Expanding Access and Community for Brain Injury Survivors and Caregivers”

Speakers: MJ Schmidt, MA, CBIST and Scott Dillman, MBA

In recent years, online programs have transformed how brain injury survivors and caregivers connect, learn, and heal. This session explores a range of innovative virtual supports that promote recovery, wellness, and social connection, regardless of where participants live. Programs highlighted include virtual support groups and educational classes, including ReDiscoverU, the Strive fitness accountability program, and Love Your Brain Yoga. The session will share lessons learned from creating and sustaining online communities that address barriers to access, promote peer support, and foster resilience. The discussion includes practical strategies for engagement, technology use, and sustained participation. Attendees will leave with connections to potential resources and replicable ideas for building or expanding online brain injury programming within their own organizations.

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Monday, June 22, 2026: 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM | [Heritage DE \(3rd floor\)](#)

SESSION #3

“Relax, Relate, Release: Choreopoetry and Brain Injury Playful Connections”

Speaker: Latrice Young, MFA

This interactive workshop reintroduces choreopoetry, a blend of poetry, movement, music, and storytelling, as a creative tool for healing across the lifespan. Designed for brain injury survivors, caregivers, and professionals, this session invites participants to co-create a mini choreopoem that fosters emotional expression, self-awareness, and community connections. Grounded in expressive arts therapy and Augusto Boal’s “spect-actor” model, this session emphasizes participation, play, and reflection. Attendees will leave with a flexible, no-experience-necessary practice they can use to support recovery, strengthen relationships, and promote wellness, whether in clinical settings, community programs, or personal healing journeys.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 12:45 PM - 2:00 PM | [Freedom A & Heritage Prefunction & State Room](#)

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Monday, June 22, 2026: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM | [Heritage ABC \(3rd floor\)](#)

SESSION #4

“Brain Injury Challenges and Achievements Across the Lifespan” (Survivor Panel)

Speakers: Ann Marie McLaughlin, PhD and Laura Miller, PsyD

Brain injury is increasingly understood as a chronic condition, with symptoms and challenges that may improve or change across the lifespan. During this survivor panel, individuals who have sustained a brain injury will discuss their injuries, as well as their recovery processes and achievements over time. The panel will highlight the impact of developmental stage, injury severity, access to resources, family and community support, and neuropsychiatric factors on quality of life. Special issues related to awareness-building and structured activity patterns will also be discussed. Audience members are invited to share their perspectives during this interactive session.

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Monday, June 22, 2026: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM | *Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)*

SESSION #5

“Brain Injury Recovery: Building the Bridge from Acute Rehabilitation to Long-Term Living”

Speakers: Travis Slopek, MS, LPC, CRC, PCHA and Amote Garvin, BA, CBIS

What happens when active therapy ends after a brain injury? This session addresses the critical transition from short-term rehabilitation to a sustainable long-term life. Participants will gain a practical roadmap for navigating what comes next. The session explores how to build structured activity plans, master compensatory strategies, and manage long-term medical needs. It also examines diverse funding streams and community resources, including OVR, job training programs, and enrichment opportunities such as volunteering and community engagement. This session is valuable for clients and families, with a focus on education and adjustment for the journey ahead.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM | *Heritage DE (3rd floor)*

SESSION #6

“Using Virtual Reality and Other Technologies to Understand Driving After Brain Injury”

Speaker: Madeline DiPasquale, PhD, CBIS; presentation material prepared by Maria Schultheis, PhD

Returning to driving is an important goal for many individuals who have experienced a brain injury. Yet, the majority do not receive a formal driver assessment, and there are only a limited number of follow-up studies. As a result, little is known about how driving changes after a brain injury. This session will present findings from a series of studies that examined return to driving using virtual reality simulation and in-vehicle video recording to better understand the driving behaviors of individuals with and without brain injury during real-world, on-road driving. These findings help inform driver assessment and rehabilitation practices.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM | *Heritage ABC (3rd floor)*

BIAPA Overview & Presentation of Awards

Join us to review BIAPA's exciting programs and opportunities and help celebrate people receiving special recognition. BIAPA leadership will review this past year's accomplishments and our collective mission to foster a community of education, advocacy, services, supports and research to maximize the quality of life for those with brain injuries and their families.

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MONDAY

Monday, June 22, 2026: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM | [Heritage ABC \(3rd floor\)](#)

SESSION #7

“An Interoception-Based Intervention: Supporting Self-Regulation in Adults with Concussion”

Speaker: Meghan Schneider, MS, OTR/L, CBIS, CFVRS

Concussions, or mild traumatic brain injuries (mTBIs), can lead to persistent challenges in self-regulation, affecting an individual's ability to manage emotions, behaviors, and physiological responses to daily demands. These disruptions often impact cognition, mood, sleep, and overall functional performance, creating significant barriers to recovery. Interoception is the sense that allows individuals to perceive and interpret internal bodily signals, such as fatigue, hunger, or tension, and it plays a critical role in supporting self-regulation. Enhancing interoceptive awareness may provide a pathway for improving self-regulation skills in adults with post-concussion syndrome. In this session, participants will learn how interoception-based approaches can be used to support self-regulation and recovery in adults with post-concussion syndrome.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM | [Commonwealth 1-3 \(2nd floor\)](#)

SESSION #8

“From Fragmentation to Integration: The AAA Model and Role Theory in TBI Recovery”

Speakers: Colleen Baratka, MA, TEP, CTP-3 and Deborah Karner, MSS, LCSW, TEP

Mild traumatic brain injury (mTBI) and psychological trauma often cause identity fragmentation and role disruption across family, work, and care systems. This workshop offers TBI clinicians an integrative framework using Moreno's Role Theory and the AAA Model of Recovery (Aware, Accept, Adapt) to guide trauma-informed, experiential interventions. Participants will examine how role loss and systemic strain impact post-injury functioning and will explore action-based methods that foster insight, catharsis, and adaptive role training. Neuropsychological and psychodramatic principles are interwoven to enhance clinical understanding and support holistic, brain-informed recovery planning for individuals and families navigating the aftermath of TBI.

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Monday, June 22, 2026: 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM | *Heritage DE (3rd floor)*

SESSION #9

“Making Connections: Peer-to-Peer Relationships After Brain Injury” (PART II)

Speakers: Rebecca Crambert, PhD, William Gardner, PhD, CBIS, and panelists

In an active effort to address the isolation that adult brain injury survivors living in the community frequently experience, this presentation will focus on common interests among the survivors in attendance and ways to make connections. The discussants will include traumatic and acquired brain injury survivors and professionals who will share their personal and clinical perspectives. The discussion will highlight ways to expand interests and connections after brain injury. There will be a discussion of case vignettes and participant interaction.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM | *Freedom A (1st floor)*

DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION

Enjoy a dinner buffet and annual Silent Auction benefitting the David L. Strauss Memorial Scholarship Fund, which provides scholarships for eligible conference attendees with brain injuries and their families or caregivers.



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Monday, June 22, 2026: 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM | *Freedom A (1st floor)*

DESSERT & SOCIAL HOUR

Network and enjoy dessert with conference attendees, sponsors and exhibitors.

Monday, June 22, 2026: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM | *Commonwealth 4 (2nd floor)*

COFFEEHOUSE WITH CRISTABELLE BRADEN

Following dinner, there will be a performance and open mic night hosted by Cristabelle Braden, singer/songwriter, speaker, author, podcast host and TBI survivor/advocate. Cristabelle will share her musical talents with the audience while they enjoy coffee and refreshments. An open mic will enable attendees to share their poetry, music or stories with the audience.

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 9:00 AM – 10:15 AM | [Heritage ABC \(3rd floor\)](#)

[WELCOME & PLENARY](#)

“Sleep and Traumatic Brain Injury Across the Lifespan: The Importance of Sleep for Prevention, Recovery, and Long-term Rehabilitation”

Speaker: James Wilkes, PhD, MEd, ATC, LAT

This plenary session provides a foundation for understanding sleep from a biological perspective, translating scientific findings into tangible actions for providers, caregivers, and survivors. Dr. Wilkes will address differences in baseline sleep needs across age groups and how traumatic brain injury intersects with developmental changes across the lifespan. He will also describe how sleep health is essential to injury prevention, immediate prognosis and treatment, and long-term strategies to enhance outcomes. The strategies discussed are applicable to providers and caregivers, as well.

Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 10:15 AM – 10:30 AM | [Freedom A \(1st floor\)](#)

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM | [Heritage ABC \(3rd floor\)](#)

[SESSION #10](#)

“Phishing, Fraud, and Beyond: Care Teams and Survivors Navigating the Digital Landscape”

Speakers: Laura Miller, PsyD and Rachel Player, CTRS, CBIS

Online and in-person scams and fraud are an unfortunate part of the ever-growing global landscape. We recognize the unique position this places on individuals with TBI and the teams that support them. In this presentation, we aim to provide basic information on what scams are, common types of scams, and key warning signs. Additionally, we will present research findings that help explain why individuals with TBI may be targeted or fall prey to scams. Through case examples and vignettes, we will highlight what care teams can do, within their different roles, to help prevent scams and minimize their impact.

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM | [Commonwealth 1-3 \(2nd floor\)](#)

SESSION #11

“Supporting Student Recovery After Traumatic Brain Injury: Insights from the CDC-Funded School Transition After TBI (STATBI) Study”

Speakers: Brenda Eagan-Johnson, EdD, CBIST-AP; Drew A Nagele, PsyD, ABPP, FACRM, CBIST-AP, CESP; and Monica Vaccaro, MS, CBIS

Childhood traumatic brain injury (TBI) can cause persistent academic, social, and health challenges. The School Transition after Traumatic Brain Injury (STATBI) study uses a mixed-methods, cohort-controlled design comparing Pennsylvania students supported by BrainSTEPS with Ohio students receiving variable services. In this session, findings from the STATBI study are presented, including quantitative outcomes measured at entry, one-year, and two-year post-enrollment that show group differences across cognitive, social, and health domains that remain below clinically-elevated ranges. However, individualized examination reveals subtler needs that are often masked by standardized scores. Findings highlight that structured return-to-school programs, such as BrainSTEPS, can promote recovery while ensuring students' needs are not overlooked within traditional special education eligibility frameworks.

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SESSION #12

“Meditation and Mindfulness After Brain Injury: Achieving Meaningful Outcomes Throughout the Rehabilitation Journey”

Speakers: Julie Schlauch, MA, LPC, CBIS, CESP; Ashley McDowell-Boardman, MS, CBIS; and Michael Francis Wright, MBSR, MBCT, SSP

Discover how meditation and mindfulness can be integrated into brain injury rehabilitation to support emotional regulation, cognitive skills, and overall well-being. This session offers practical, evidence-based techniques for survivors, caregivers, and professionals. Attendees will learn adaptable strategies to foster resilience and achieve meaningful rehabilitation outcomes. Real-life experiences and best practices will be shared; activities will demonstrate how these approaches can be used in rehabilitation and daily life. Join us to learn about accessible tools that empower individuals with brain injury to thrive throughout their recovery journey.

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SESSION #13

“Vestibular Considerations in Moderate to Severe Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Rehabilitation”

Speakers: Jasmine Edwards, PT, DPT, NCS and Regan Harrell, PT, DPT, NCS

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) often results in a wide range of symptoms and impairments, with vestibular dysfunction being a common yet complex finding. Individuals may experience dizziness, vertigo, lightheadedness, or imbalance due to peripheral or central vestibular involvement, which can significantly affect daily function and participation in life roles. While vestibular issues following mild TBI or concussion are well documented, less is known about those occurring after moderate to severe injuries. This session will explore the presentation, assessment, and treatment considerations for vestibular dysfunction in individuals with moderate to severe TBI across inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation settings.

Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM | Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)

SESSION #14

“Beyond the Classroom: A Model for Integrating Brain Injury Rehabilitation and Transition Education”

Speaker: Mark Heydt, BS, CBIS, WBL-C

This session will explore a model that is currently being used in a school district and can be replicated. It will focus on preparing students with intellectual and developmental disabilities and brain injuries for adult life. Attendees will discover how partnerships between schools, healthcare, vocational rehabilitation, and the community build real-world skills in self-advocacy, work, independent living, and health. Through descriptions of practical strategies and successful outcomes, participants will gain insights they can apply to create meaningful, inclusive transition programs that empower young adults to thrive beyond the classroom.

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM | [Heritage DE \(3rd floor\)](#)

SESSION #15

“Mind in Motion: Transdisciplinary Approaches to Cognitive-Motor Recovery Across the TBI Lifespan”

Speakers: Blake Schuck, MS-SLP, CCC-SLP/L, CBIS and Amanda Maron, MS-OT, OTR/L, CBIS

This session explores how physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech-language pathology unite through interdisciplinary approaches to support individuals with traumatic brain injury (TBI). Focusing on cognitive-motor interference (where thinking and movement collide), we will share functional strategies that target attention, communication, mobility, and independence across the recovery continuum. Case examples and real-world tools, such as dual-task training, shared goal planning, and community integration activities, will be highlighted. Attendees will gain practical insights into collaborative techniques that improve outcomes and strengthen client progress and team communication. This session is ideal for clinicians across settings who value function-first, team-based rehabilitation.

Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 1:45 PM - 2:00 PM | [Freedom A \(1st floor\)](#)

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | [Heritage ABC \(3rd floor\)](#)

SESSION #16

“Vision Dysfunction After Brain Injury: Understanding and Treating Visual Challenges”

Speaker: Amanda Legge, OD

This session will explore the often-overlooked visual consequences of brain injury, including oculomotor, binocular, accommodative, and visual-perceptual dysfunctions. Attendees will learn how post-traumatic visual symptoms—such as double vision, light sensitivity, visual field loss, and balance disturbances—impact daily function and rehabilitation outcomes. Dr. Amanda Legge will review current neuro-optometric testing methods, evidence-based management strategies, and interdisciplinary approaches for improving visual recovery through occupational and optometric collaboration. Practical case examples and real patient outcomes will illustrate how identifying and treating visual dysfunction enhances neurorehabilitation success.

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TUESDAY

Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)

SESSION #17

“Planning After Brain Injury: The Role of Special Needs Trusts”

Speaker: Christine Pontecorvo, MSS

Money is a source of stress for anyone. Planning a financial future while navigating public benefits and disability-related care can be overwhelming. One solution intended to ease these concerns is a financial vehicle called a Special Needs Trust (SNT). In this session, participants will learn what SNTs are, who they are for, and how they operate. The session will also include information on financial literacy and financial care planning. This information is intended to educate professional service providers, family caregivers, and people living with a brain injury so they are aware of options and resources available to support greater financial security.

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM | Heritage DE (3rd floor)

SESSION #18

“Readiness for Driving after Brain Injury: Who, What, Why, and How”

Speaker: Brandon Levi, MS, OTR/L, CDRS, CDI

Driving often represents independence, and losing that ability after a brain injury (BI) can feel overwhelming to survivors and caregivers. This session offers a general guide to help participants understand what to expect when considering a return to driving. Attendees will learn how to navigate their care team, what legal steps to consider, and how driving evaluations and training work. We will explain the role of Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialists, the skills they assess, and how adaptive equipment—such as hand controls or steering devices—can help. Through case examples, attendees will see how driver rehabilitation can support safety, confidence, and a successful return to community participation.

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 3:00 PM - 3:15 PM

BREAK

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026: 3:15 PM - 4:15 PM | Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)

CLOSING PLENARY

“The Second Climb: Bridging the Gap for Adults with Brain Injury and Behavioral Health Needs”

Speaker: Kimberly Graham, BSN, MS, RN

Many adults with brain injuries are placed in inappropriate settings because their behavior is misunderstood. Instead of receiving neurorehabilitation, they are often labeled with psychiatric diagnoses and referred to programs that do not meet their needs. This closing plenary session will examine what happens when individuals with brain injury lack access to essential services, particularly those with significant behavioral challenges. Real case examples and practical tools, we will illustrate how to identify red flags, clarify what is truly driving behavior, and support teams and families in advocating for appropriate care. When systems struggle to determine where someone belongs, this session highlights how informed assessment, advocacy, and intervention can help ensure individuals receive the neurorehabilitation services they need.

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	● SESSION #2 <i>Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)</i> “Connections Online: Expanding Access and Community for Brain Injury Survivors and Caregivers” MJ Schmidt, MA, CBIST and Scott Dillman, MBA
	● SESSION #3 <i>Heritage DE (3rd floor)</i> “Relax, Relate, Release: Choreopoetry and Brain Injury Playful Connections” Latrice Young, MFA

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	● SESSION #5 <i>Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)</i> “Brain Injury Recovery: Building the Bridge from Acute Rehabilitation to Long-Term Living” Travis Slopek, MS, LPC, CRC, PCHA and Amote Garvin, BA, CBIS
	● SESSION #6 <i>Heritage DE (3rd floor)</i> “Using Virtual Reality and Other Technologies to Understand Driving After Brain Injury” Madeline DiPasquale, PhD, CBIS; presentation material prepared by Maria Schultheis, PhD
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Monday, June 22, 2026 4:30 PM-5:30 PM	● SESSION #7 <i>Heritage ABC (3rd floor)</i> “An Interoception-Based Intervention: Supporting Self-Regulation in Adults with Concussion” Meghan Schneider, MS, OTR/L, CBIS, CFVRS
	● SESSION #8 <i>Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)</i> “From Fragmentation to Integration: The AAA Model and Role Theory in TBI Recovery” Colleen Baratka, MA, TEP, CTP-3 and Deborah Karner, MSS, LCSW, TEP
	● SESSION #9 <i>Heritage DE (3rd floor)</i> “Making Connections: Peer-to-Peer Relationships After Brain Injury” (PART II) Rebecca Crambert, PhD, William Gardner, PhD, CBIS, and panelists

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	● SESSION #11 <i>Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)</i> “Supporting Student Recovery After Traumatic Brain Injury: Insights from the CDC-Funded School Transition After TBI (STATBI) Study” Brenda Eagan-Johnson, EdD, CBIST-AP; Drew A Nagele, PsyD, ABPP, FACRM, CBIST-AP, CESP; and Monica Vaccaro, MS, CBIS
	● SESSION #12 <i>Heritage DE (3rd floor)</i> “Meditation and Mindfulness After Brain Injury: Achieving Meaningful Outcomes Throughout the Rehabilitation Journey” Julie Schlauch, MA, LPC, CBIS, CESP; Ashley McDowell-Boardman, MS, CBIS; and Michael Francis Wright, MBSR, MBCT, SSP
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	● SESSION #14 <i>Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)</i> “Beyond the Classroom: A Model for Integrating Brain Injury Rehabilitation and Transition Education” Mark Heydt, BS, CBIS, WBL-C
	● SESSION #15 <i>Heritage DE (3rd floor)</i> “Mind in Motion: Transdisciplinary Approaches to Cognitive-Motor Recovery Across the TBI Lifespan” Blake Schuck, MS-SLP, CCC-SLP/L, CBIS and Amanda Maron, MS-OT, OTR/L, CBIS
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	● SESSION #17 <i>Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)</i> “Planning After Brain Injury: The Role of Special Needs Trusts” Christine Pontecorvo, MSS
	● SESSION #18 <i>Heritage DE (3rd floor)</i> “Readiness for Driving after Brain Injury: Who, What, Why, and How” Brandon Levi, MS, OTR/L, CDRS, CDI
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Tuesday, June 23, 2026 3:15 PM-4:15 PM	● CLOSING PLENARY <i>Commonwealth 1-3 (2nd floor)</i> “The Second Climb: Bridging the Gap for Adults with Brain Injury and Behavioral Health Needs” Kimberly Graham, BSN, MS, RN

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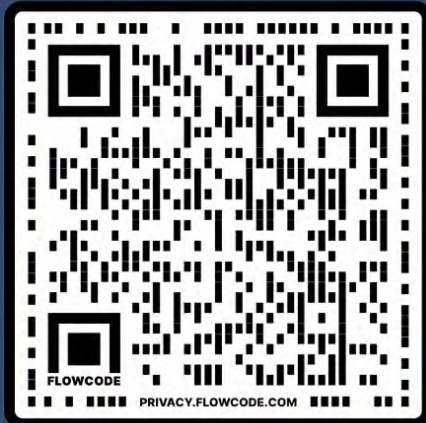
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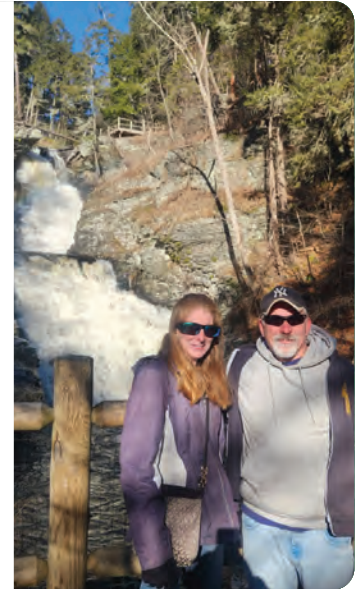
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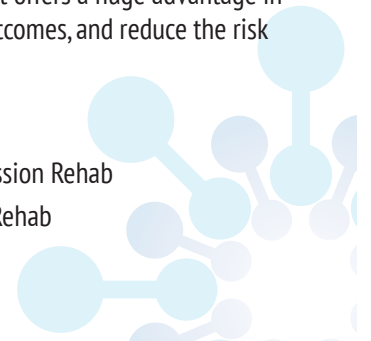
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The philosophy of Beechwood NeuroRehab is to maximize each individual's ability to participate in meaningful roles within their community. We accomplish this by providing specialized, brain injury rehabilitation for people who have sustained any kind of acquired brain injury. Beechwood NeuroRehab uses a person-centered, transdisciplinary approach, utilizing innovative treatment concepts, applied technology, and evidence-based research to help each individual to achieve a fulfilling life.



NeuroRehab Outpatient Therapies

- NeuroPsychological Evaluations
- NeuroFunctional Evaluations
- Cognitive Rehabilitation
- Speech & Language Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy

Supported Living Services

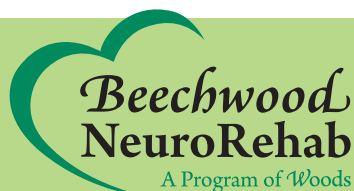
- Community Residences
- Community Apartments
- Life Skills Training
- Recreation Therapy
- Care Coordination
- InSPIRE Structured Day Services

Life & Health Management Services

- On-site Medical and Rehab Nursing
- Clinical Case Management
- Dietician & Nutrition
- Neurology
- Brain Injury Psychiatry

Vocational Services

- Supported Employment
- Brain Injury Clubhouse
- NeuroVocational Evaluations
- BeechTree Enterprises



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HOW TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND SUPPORT BIAPA!

GET INVOLVED

The Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania is grateful for the many individuals, clubs, organizations, foundations and companies who support the Association through their advocacy and participation in activities and fundraising events throughout the Commonwealth.

HERE ARE SOME OF THE WAYS YOU CAN
BE INVOLVED AND SUPPORT BIAPA!

SUPPORT SPECIAL EVENTS

John Savelloni Memorial Golf Clinic

*Partnership with Fighting Back Scholarship Program
and PGA HOPE*

[Tuesday, August 4, 2026](#)

Penn Oaks Golf Club

West Chester, PA

biapa.org/golf

Trough Creek Gravel Grinder

James Creek, PA

[September 20, 2026](#)

Brain Safety Fair

Westmoreland Mall, Greensburg, PA

[2027 Date TBA](#)

Noah Sideman Rides for Brain Injury Survivors

BIAPA Board Member and avid bicyclist Noah Sideman is riding in Pennsylvania gravel grinder bike races to raise awareness about brain injury and to support BIAPA. Noah's inviting brain injury survivors to join him virtually. Donate to his ride in honor of a survivor, and Noah will place their name on his bike! Details: biapa.org/gravel-grinders

Craft Night FUNdraiser

Partnership with Triumph in Recovery

Montgomeryville, PA

[2027 Date TBA](#)

Mid-State Gravel Grinder

Phillipsburg, PA

[August 15, 2026](#)

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GET INVOLVED

PARTICIPATE IN A FUNDRAISING RUN OR WALK

Brain Injury Challenge: Race for Recovery

Partnership with Jefferson Moss-Magee Rehabilitation

[Saturday, October 3, 2026](#)

Tyler State Park – Richboro, PA

biapa.org/challenge2026

Run, Walk, Roll for Brain Injury

Partnership with Camp Cranium

Tyler State Park – Richboro, PA

biapa.org/runwalkroll2026

[2027 Date TBA](#)

Highmark Walks for a Healthy Community

Pittsburgh & Lehigh Valley

[2027 Dates TBA](#)





OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Participate in Helmets for the Holidays

Honor friends, family or clients with a holiday gift in their name. BIAPA will send them a card letting them know of your thoughtfulness.

biapa.org/helmets

Purchase Holiday Candy through BIAPA's Sarris Candy Fundraisers

Become a BIAPA Corporate Partner

Support BIAPA and receive year-round visibility and benefits

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Host your own fundraising event, such as:

Dudes Day Out

biapa.org/dudes-day-out

Ladies Day Out

biapa.org/ladies-day-out

- Facebook Fundraiser
- Benefit Spaghetti Dinner
- Pickleball Tournament
- Benefit Concert
- Brain Injury Awareness Month T-shirt sales
- Office Raffle

**CHECK THE BIAPA
WEBSITE FOR DETAILS
AND MORE IDEAS.**

biapa.org/get-involved

Anne Sears, BIAPA's Fundraising Chair, is eager to discuss your ideas for fundraising activities. Find her at the conference or email sears@biapa.org.



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BIAPA'S BRAIN INJURY RESOURCE LINE (BIRL)

Provides information about resources that may be of help to people with brain injury and their families

1-800-444-6443

MISSION

The Mission of the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania is to prevent brain injuries and to foster an inclusive community of education, advocacy, supports, and research to maximize the quality of life for those with brain injuries and their families.

An affiliate of the Brain Injury Association of America, BIAPA is directed by a group of committed volunteers and a staff of part-time professionals.

VISION

The Vision of the Brain Injury Association is a world in which all people with brain injuries and their supporters are leading fulfilling lives and are empowered to participate in their communities.

DIVERSITY STATEMENT

To promote an inclusive community, the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania commits to an atmosphere that includes and fully utilizes the talents of individuals with diverse backgrounds including those from historically underrepresented groups including; abilities, gender, age, race, color, national origin, religious preference, or other beliefs, language, disabilities, sexual orientation, marital, family or military statuses, education, social-economic status, background, and culture. The Brain Injury Association recognizes the benefits of a diverse workforce and serving the needs of a diverse community.

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