

Selected Resources for School Personnel and Families of Students with Traumatic Brain Injury

The following list of selected resources was created by a work group of the Traumatic Brain Injury Technical Assistance Center at NASHIA's Children and Youth committee. The work group (Roberta DePompei, PhD, Jeanne Dise-Lewis, PhD, Ann Glang, PhD, Valerie Luks, and Janet Tyler, PhD) met in July 2005 to plan the Web cast entitled "Building Statewide Capacity to Serve Students with Traumatic Brain Injury" (this Web cast is archived and can be viewed at www.mchcom.com). The selected resources are categorized below by media with each category listed alphabetically. (It should be noted that this list is by no means inclusive of all the excellent resources specific to traumatic brain injury and children and youth.)

Brochures

Road to Rehabilitation Series

This series of eight brochures -- written by various experts -- offers a layman's guide for families and individuals with brain injury to the process of rehabilitation from brain injury.

Created by: Brain Injury Association of America (2001)

Available from: Brain Injury Association of America for download at http://www.biausa.org/Pages/road_to_rehab.html

Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall Safety for Children: Tips for Parents of Children 5-14 Years Old on Preventing Brain Injuries

This series of four brain injury booklets focuses on prevention specific to seasonal activities.

Created by: Roberta DePompei and Marilyn Lash (1996)

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training at www.lapublishing.com. (These booklets are out-of-print, but can be ordered by e-mailing Lash and Associates Publishing/Training at mlyn@lapublishing.com.)

Disk Media

Brain Injury Resource And Information Network (BRAIN)

This three-CD-ROM set is an instructional programming tool that covers TBI, identifying unidentified students, accommodating and serving youth with brain injury, and facilitating their successful transition.

Created by: Alabama State Agency TBI Grant (2002)

Available from: Alabama's Department of Rehabilitation Services by contacting Maria Crowley at mcrowley@state.rehab.al.us or 205-290-4590. The CD-ROM sets are free while supplies last.

Branches to Recovery: For Parents with Children with Brain Injury

This is an easy-to-use, computer-based learning program with English and Spanish options. It introduces families, educators, and health professionals to the rehabilitation of children with brain injuries.

Created by: Children's Hospital Los Angeles (2000)

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. at www.lapublishing.com. The price of the CD-ROM is \$25.00.

Concussion: An Educational DVD

Developed as an educational tool for teachers and trainers to educate students about concussion, this DVD is an effective teaching tool with clear language, graphics and vignettes.

Created by: Barry Willer, John Leddy, and narrated by Peter Murray (2004)

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. at www.lapublishing.com. The price of the DVD is \$25.00.

ProjectBRAIN

This interactive CD-ROM was developed as a learning tool for educators, health care professionals, and other service professionals who work with students who have sustained a traumatic brain injury.

Created by: Tennessee State Agency TBI Grant (2002)

Available from: Tennessee's Department of Health by contacting Jean Doster at Jean.Doster@state.tn.us or 615-741-1230. The CD-ROMs are free while supplies last.

Guides and Manuals

An Educator's Manual: What Educators Need to Know about Students with Brain Injury

The third edition of this acclaimed book is an essential tool and practical resource for educators, classroom teachers, and parents working with students with brain injury. Experts in special education lend insight and information useful in meeting the needs of students with brain injury.

Created by: Ronald Savage and Gary Wolcott, Editors (1995)

Available from: Brain Injury Association of America at <http://www.biausa.org/Pages/AT/bookstore.php>. The price of the manual is \$20.00.

Brain Injury: A Guide for Educators

This manual was written to help educators identify, understand, and respond to the special needs of students with brain injuries.

Created by: Brain Injury Association of New Jersey (2001)

Available from: TBI Technical Assistance Center's Traumatic Brain Injury Collaboration Space (TBICS) for download at <http://www.tbitac.nashia.org/tbics/download/njedugde.pdf>

Brain Injury: A Guide for Families about School

This manual was written to help families when their child enters or returns to school after a brain injury.

Created by: Brain Injury Association of New Jersey (2001)

Available from: TBI Technical Assistance Center's Traumatic Brain Injury Collaboration Space (TBICS) for download at <http://www.tbitac.nashia.org/tbics/download/njfamgde.pdf>

Brain Injury: A Guide for School Nurses

This manual was written to provide school nurses with information about brain injury as it relates to a child's education and health needs, and to encourage support from school nurses to help raise awareness about brain injury and its prevention.

Created by: Brain Injury Association of New Jersey (2001)

Available from: TBI Technical Assistance Center's Traumatic Brain Injury Collaboration Space (TBICS) for download at <http://www.tbifac.nashia.org/tbics/download/njschnursgde.pdf>

BrainSTARS – Brain Injury: Strategies for Teams and Re-education for Students

In this self-guided manual parents and teachers will not only find information about the effects of a brain injury on a child's learning, emotions, behavior, and social development, but also will find approaches and interventions to address a child's learning and behavior challenges.

Created by: Jeanne Dise-Lewis (2003)

Available from: The Children's Hospital of Denver by contacting Jeannie Losh at 303-864-5639 or losh.jeannie@tchden.org. The price of the manual is \$65.00.

Building Statewide Capacity of Educators to Serve Students with TBI: A Regional Team Approach

This report describes a multi-dimensional statewide approach to training educators to provide quality educational services to students with TBI. It is an expedient and cost-effective model that accesses the services of a highly trained cadre of interdisciplinary professionals to provide technical assistance, maintain quality of services, and promote collaboration throughout a State's educational system.

Created by: Ann Glang (2004)

Available from: TBI Technical Assistance Center's Traumatic Brain Injury Collaboration Space (TBICS) for download at <http://www.tbifac.nashia.org/tbics/download/tbiresourceteampacketfinal.pdf>

Children with TBI – A Parent's Guide

This is a comprehensive book that provides parents and families with a comprehensive overview of the consequences of traumatic brain injury among children. The collection of chapters, written by an expert team of medical and rehabilitation specialists, presents complex information in a direct and clear style.

Created by: Lisa Schoenbrodt, Editor (2001)

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. at www.lapublishing.com. The price of the book is \$20.00.

Pediatric Brain Injury: The Special Case of the Very Young Child

This book provides practical, hands-on information that will help professionals respond to the needs of very young children with brain injury. It is an important resource for therapists, rehabilitation professionals, and educators who need a thorough understanding of the challenges associated with this younger age group.

Created by: Carole Wedel Sellers, Candace Hill Vegter, and Susan Sivertsen Ellenbusch (1997)

Available from: HDI Publishers at www.braininjurybooks.com. The price of the book is \$34.50.

Pediatric Traumatic Brain Injury: Proactive Interventions, 2nd Edition

Needs and issues are explored within the school and classroom to address the student's cognitive and communication needs with an emphasis on applying research and clinical knowledge to problem solving assessments, and interventions.

Created by: Jean Blosser and Roberta Depompei (2003)

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. at www.lapublishing.com. The price of the book is \$54.00.

Signs and Strategies for Educating Students with TBI: A practical guide for parents and teachers

This book gives a basic overview of the consequences brain injury can have upon a child's learning, behavior and adjustment in school. It discusses planning for the child's initial return to school after an injury and changes over time.

Created by: Marilyn Lash, Gary Wolcott, and Sue Pearson (1995)

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. at www.lapublishing.org. The price of this book is \$30.00.

Students with TBI - Thriving Beyond Injury

A guide for parents and schools designed to provide information about special education and related services as described in the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA), and meant to assist them in the process of obtaining appropriate services through the various stages of TBI and rehabilitation.

Created by: Ohio TBI Protection and Advocacy System Grant (2004)

Available from: TBI Technical Assistance Center's Traumatic Brain Injury Collaboration Space (TBICS) for download at <http://www.tbitac.nashia.org/tbics/download/Thriving.pdf>

Traumatic Brain Injury: A Resource and Planning Guide

The manual focuses on school re-entry, assessment, effective educational strategies, appropriate behavior management, and family involvement.

Created by: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (1996)

Available from: Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction at http://www.dpi.state.wi.us/dpi/dltcl/eis/pubsales/spcled_2.html. The price of the manual is \$27.00.

Traumatic Brain Injury in Children and Adolescents: A Sourcebook for Teachers and Other School Personnel, Second Edition

This highly readable book offers an overview of the entire spectrum of issues related to TBI. In addition to describing the causes and consequences (both short-term and long-term) of TBI, this sourcebook presents techniques and procedures to return the child to school successfully following an injury.

Created by: Janet Tyler and Mary Mira (1999)

Available from: PRO-ED Inc. at www.proedinc.com. The price of the book is \$31.00.

Traumatic Brain Injury In-service Training Module

This training module is designed to assist individuals by providing information about traumatic brain injury to educators and other professionals who will be working with students with TBI.

Created by: Janet Tyler (2004)

Available from: Neurologic Disabilities Support Project at http://guest1.altec.org/ndsp/traumatic_brain_injury/VideoOrder.html. The price of the training module is \$30.00.

Tip Cards

Children Sample Packet (30 Tips Cards)

The Child Sample Packet includes 30 tip cards on family coping, childhood development, pediatric brain tumors, medications and safety, communication challenges, and concussion.

Created by: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training Inc.

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. at www.lapublishing.com. The price of the set of tip cards is \$45.00.

Concussion in Children: It's more than just a bump on the head!

A 5"x 8" card highlighting common changes in behavior, thinking, school performance, and emotions that can occur after concussion in childhood or adolescence. The card features English on one side/ Spanish on the other.

Created by: Jeanne Dise-Lewis (2005)

Available from: The Children's Hospital of Denver by contacting Jeannie Losh at 303-864-5639 or losh.jeannie@tchden.org. The file for the tip card can be e-mailed and the cost is free.

When Your Child's Head Has Been Hurt

This publication helps families, school nurses, pediatricians, and other children's health specialists identify post concussive disorders after discharge from the emergency department or hospital.

Created by: Arizona State Agency TBI Grant (1998)

Available from: TBI Technical Assistance Center's Traumatic Brain Injury Collaboration Space (TBICS) for download at <http://www.tbicac.nashia.org/tbics/download/azheadfs.pdf>

Videocassettes

Acquired Brain Injury – Teens Talking to Teens

This video 25 minute video (with a six-page, tri-fold viewer's guide) shows how life changed for three youth and young adults after their brain injuries.

Created by: Sunny Hill Health Centre for Children (2000)

Available from: Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. at www.lapublishing.com. The price of the videocassette is \$20.00.

Faces of Brain Injury

This seven minute public awareness video introduces brain injury to viewers by presenting many faces and various comments from those who live with traumatic brain injury.

Created by: Brain Injury Association of Florida (2001)

Available from: Brain Injury Association of Florida by contacting Jennifer Lough at 954-786-2427. The price of the videocassette is \$15.95.

Perspectives on Traumatic Brain Injury

This 25 minute videotape provides educators, service providers, and families of students with traumatic brain injury information of the long-term effects of TBI.

Created by: Janet Tyler and Janet Williams (1993)

Available from: Neurologic Disabilities Support Project at http://guest1.altec.org/ndsp/traumatic_brain_injury/VideoOrder.html. The price of the videocassette is \$12.50.

Web sites

Brain Injury Association of America (BIAA) (www.biausa.org)

The mission of BIAA is to create a better future through brain injury prevention, research, education, and advocacy.

Centre for Neuro Skills (CNS) (www.neuroskills.com)

CNS provides brain injury rehabilitation to clients from across the United States and world. The website offers the TBI Resource Guide as a central source of information, services and products relating to traumatic brain injury, brain injury recovery, and post-acute rehabilitation.

Kansas Neurologic Disabilities Support Project (www.kstbi.org)

The Kansas Neurologic Disabilities Project is designed to provide in-service training, technical assistance, and consultation to educators and related personnel serving students with ABI/TBI throughout the state of Kansas. The project also serves as a resource for families of students with ABI/TBI.

Lash and Associates Publishing/Training (www.lapublishing.com)

Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. specializes in information on the treatment and rehabilitation of brain injury and concussion in children and adults.

National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities (NICHCY) (www.nichcy.org)

NICHCY is a central source of information on: disabilities in infants, toddlers, children, and youth, IDEA, which is the law authorizing special education, No Child Left Behind (as it relates to children with disabilities), and research-based information on effective educational practices.

Oregon Brain Injury Resource Network (OBIRN) (www.tr.wou.edu/tbi/index.html)

The mission of OBIRN is to improve access to information and services for individuals with brain injury, their families, and the professionals who serve them. OBIRN houses information on all aspects of brain injury, from the point of initial injury throughout the life span of the individual.

Special Education Guide (www.parentpals.com)

Parentpals.com is a special education community where parents and professionals share information and offer support.

National Association of State Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA) (www.nashia.org)

The mission of NASHIA is to assist state government in promoting partnerships and building systems to meet the needs of individuals with brain injury and their families.

Traumatic Brain Injury Technical Assistance Center at NASHIA's Traumatic Brain Injury Collaboration Space (TBICS) (www.tbicac.nashia.org/tbics)

TBICS is a learning, collaboration, and benchmarking tool for the Grantees and others affiliated with the Federal Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Program. TBICS captures successful TBI systems change strategies and makes them available in a dynamic and meaningful way.