



The Traumatic Brain Injury Services at the Center for Excellence in Disabilities is proud to serve as the state's designated lead agency for coordination of services for West Virginians with TBI.

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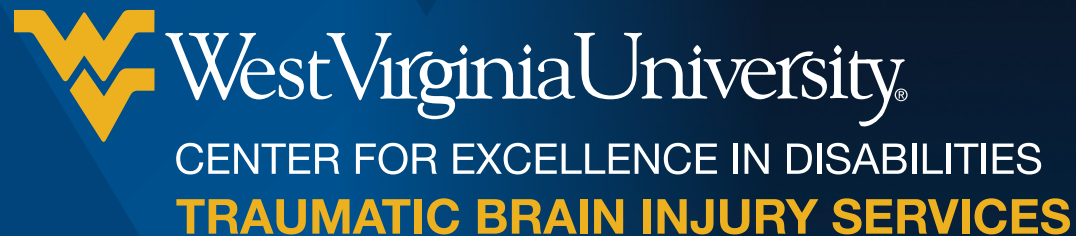
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Traumatic Brain Injury

(TBI) is defined as a blow or jolt to the head or a penetrating head injury that disrupts the brain's function.



Leading Causes of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

- Falls (40.5%)
- Struck by/against events (15.5%)
- Motor vehicle crashes (14.3%)
- Assaults (10.7%)
- Blasts are the leading cause of TBI for active military personnel in war zones.

(Brain Injury Association of America)

Living with Traumatic Brain Injury

Traumatic brain injury can cause difficulty with:

- Money management
- Behavior
- Job skills
- Learning
- Memory and problem solving
- Managing fatigue and frustration
- Substance abuse
- Emotional and social issues
- Health and wellness
- Managing stress

Traumatic Brain Injury Services are available to assist individuals with TBI, families, caregivers and service providers. Six regional TBI resource coordinators use a person-centered approach to help individuals reach personal goals.

All Traumatic Brain Injury Services are free of charge.



Supports Offered

- Resource coordination
- Person-centered planning
- Neuropsychological testing assistance
- Funds for YOU application assistance

Available Trainings

- Introduction to TBI
- Education/employment issues
- Resource coordination
- TBI and substance abuse
- Other topics on request

Funds for YOU

Funds are available for individuals with traumatic brain injury to promote increased independence. Applications are available from TBI resource coordinators.

Neurological Evaluations

Traumatic Brain Injury services offer connections to community neuropsychologists for neuropsychological testing for individuals with a diagnosed or potential TBI.

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