ABOUT THE BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

Brain injury is not an event or an outcome, but the start of a misdiagnosed, misunderstood, under-funded neurological disease. Individuals who sustain brain injuries must have timely access to expert trauma care, specialized rehabilitation, lifelong disease management, and individualized services and supports in order to live healthy, independent, and satisfying lives.

The Brain Injury Association of America (BIAA) is the voice of brain injury. We are dedicated to advancing awareness, research, treatment, and education and to improving the quality of life for all individuals impacted by brain injury. Through advocacy, we bring help, hope, and healing to millions of individuals living with brain injury, family caregivers, and professional clinicians.

BIAA PROVIDES INFORMATION, RESOURCES & SUPPORT

Each year, BIAA’s National Brain Injury Information Center (NBIIC) helps more than 30,000 individuals with brain injury and their families find the information, resources, and support they need to cope with the life-changing consequences of brain injury.

BIAA EDUCATES CAREGIVERS, CLINICIANS, AND PEOPLE WITH BRAIN INJURIES

BIAA's Academy of Certified Brain Injury Specialists (ACBIS) provides education and training to family caregivers and professionals to improve the quality of care for individuals with brain injury. Since 1996, more than 19,000 clinicians have obtained ACBIS certification. For more information, visit biausa.org/ACBIS.

BIAA IS FINDING CURES FOR CHRONIC BRAIN INJURY

BIAA established a grantmaking program to identify ways to slow or stop disease progression, diminish risk from childhood injury, and increase life expectancy after brain injury. Four inaugural grants were awarded in 2020.

BIAA advocates for federal funding, serves on advisory boards, disseminates research findings, and granted $1.4 million to the nation’s leading researchers to develop “Guidelines for the Rehabilitation and Disease Management of Adults with Moderate to Severe TBI.” Learn more at biausa.org/research.

BIAA INFLUENCES AWARENESS & UNDERSTANDING OF BRAIN INJURY

BIAA and its network of state affiliates have a 40-year history of policy achievements aimed at improving access to brain injury care. Each March, BIAA leads the nation in observing Brain Injury Awareness Month. To get involved, visit biausa.org.