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## Welcome to the Pikes Peak Region Brain Injury Resource Directory

This directory was created by the Pikes Peak Region Brain Injury Professionals Network. It is a group of professionals who specialize in treatment and assistance for people who have acquired or traumatic brain injuries. The group is an affiliate of the Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado.

The organizations listed in the directory all have a history of providing services to people with brain injuries. It is important to us that the organizations listed are able to understand the special needs of someone living with a brain injury. Each section was assembled by a professional in the field.

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If you are unable to find what you are looking for in this directory, please feel free to contact the Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado at 1325 S. Colorado Blvd. B-300, Denver, CO 80222. Phone: 303-355-9969. They can also be found on the web at www.biacolorado.org. BIAC will be happy to assist you and has an online resource directory for the entire state of Colorado.

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#### Lisa Moran describes life after a stroke

In August 2017 Lisa Moran received a Moyamoya diagnosis. Moyamoya Disease is a rare condition in which the internal carotid arteries that supply blood to the brain become narrowed. Blood flow to the brain is limited and there is risk for stroke and other neurological events. Lisa opted to have a brain bypass surgery that would return the blood flow.

Lisa did lots of research and selected a neurosurgeon in California that had performed the surgery many times with a high success rate. She was released from the hospital and recovering when the unthinkable happened. Lisa suffered a hemorrhagic stroke two days after surgery.

She experienced cognitive problems, memory issues, left sided neglect, loss of her left peripheral vision in both eyes, and had some paralysis. The initial prognosis was that great improvement was not anticipated.

Lisa is a fighter! Within two weeks there was some movement and ultimately she was able to walk out of the hospital on her own. After a stint in acute rehabilitation in California, Lisa returned to Colorado and started outpatient therapy. She has participated in physical therapy, occupational therapy, vision therapy with a neuro optometrist, speech therapy and art therapy.

With the therapy Lisa said, "It helps to have supervision to guide me through the processes so I am rehabbing to the best of my ability."

"I'm not 100 percent, but I am independent, and living on my own. I have days and times I can tell cognitively that I need rest. I have regained movement and feeling on my left side, although I have some numbness, tingling and neuropathy. I will be able to drive again," she said.

"Fatigue can be worse than the physical problems I've had to overcome," she explained, "I've had to train myself to get rest even if I do not feel physically tired."

Lisa's advice for brain injury patients is to be your own advocate. What keeps her going is her future and hope for tomorrow. She has learned to celebrate the victories and really relishes accomplishments that showcase her recovery, no matter how small because small victories add up! Her other piece of advice is for patients to give themselves a break. "Your body and brain have been through a heck of a lot. You're surviving," she said.

A little motivation helps too. Lisa has always wanted a classic car. She bought a 1960 Thunderbird that is being worked on so it is ready when she is able to get back behind the wheel soon.

#### **ADVOCACY**

## Arc Pikes Peak Region, The 719-471-4800

10 and 12 North Mead Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.thearcppr.org Provides advocacy for children and adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities at no cost.

## **Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado** 303-355-9969

1325 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite B300 Denver, CO 80222 www.biacolorado.org BIAC is the go to resource for help and services for survivors of an injury to the brain, their families, and providers.

## Catholic Charities of Central Colorado 719-636-2345

www.ccharitiescc.org
Daily hot meals, employment, case management,
pregnancy and emergency services, early education,
parenting, ESL classes and more.

#### **Center Toward Self Reliance** 719-546-1271

228 North Cascade Avenue

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

901 West 8th Street Pueblo, CO 81003 www.cfclpueblo.org Enhancing the independence of people with disabilities.

## Guardianship Alliance 303-691-9339, ext.1117

801 Yosemite Street
Denver, CO 80230
www.abilityconnectioncolorado.org/
guardianshipallianceofColorado
Offers classes to assist individuals with filing for
guardianship. Also offer resources for additional supports.

## **HCP-A Program for Children and Youth** with Special Healthcare Needs

719-578-3200

1675 West Garden of the Gods Road Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.elpasocountyhealth.org Provides medical care coordination for children from birth to 21 who have special health needs, including brain injury.

#### Independence Center, The

719-471-8181

729 South Tejon Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
www.theindependencecenter.org
Provides information and referral, as well as
individual and community advocacy for people with
disabilities.

## **MINDSOURCE Brain Injury Network** 1-800-955-2423

Colorado Department of Human Services

1575 Sherman Street, 4th floor Denver, CO 80203 www.mindsourcecolorado.org With resources from the TBI Trust Fund, MINDSOURCE advances systems and assures case management services

#### PASCO 719-960-4995

El Paso County Colorado Springs, CO www.PASCOHH.com

Helping families care for their loved ones with the paid family caregiver program.

## Pikes Peak United Way 2-1-1 / 719-632-1543

for individuals with brain injuries.

518 North Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.ppunitedway.org/211database.html Call 211 for referrals for food, utilities, housing, childcare, emergency shelter, military assistance, and senior issues.

#### **Brain Trauma Foundation | www.braintrauma.org**

## What is Cognitive Therapy?

Cognitive therapy can take many different forms based on patient needs. While 'talk' therapy is traditional, other methods may also be used. The goal is to identify thought patterns and emotions that impact behavior. The therapist's goal is to teach clients how to make changes that lead to positive life outcomes.

"At A Cognitive Connection (ACC), cognitive therapy looks a little different than traditional approaches. ACC utilizes Cognitive Behavioral 'talk' therapy in conjunction with technology, as well as music, and a multisensory approach to evaluate and explore how thought, and how the brain processes thought,

influences our feelings, so we can change behaviors," explained Carol Van Ness, Owner/ Executive Director at A Cognitive Connection, LLC.

Cognitive therapy can be used with children, adults and seniors to improve visual and auditory processing skills, focus, memory, self-worth, negative thought, poor school and work performance, personal development and relationships, said Van Ness.

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brain dysfunction can be helped with cognitive therapy. While all patients can benefit from this approach, the individual has to be open to the suggestions of the counselor and willing to try multiple approaches.

Prior to beginning therapy a patient or caregiver should be comfortable asking questions about methods used, credentials, timetables for treatment and expected outcomes. It is reasonable to ask about how the need for treatment is evaluated and how progress is measured.

"Every person is unique and every brain injury is unique," explained Van Ness. "A patient or caregiver

should ask if our counselor needs to provide services in the clinic or home/ community. It would be good to know what financial options are available."

There may be a sliding scale for self-pay options. If an individual has a diagnosed Intellectual or Developmental Disability or qualifies for HCBS services through State Medicaid services may be contracted.

There may also be specific options for individuals who have been in a car accident and are seeking cognitive support.

Progress measurement may utilize a variety of tools. "ACC offers many modalities for evaluating progress. Neurotrax assessments are computerized tests available to assess brain wellness across an array of all the cognitive domains listed above. We also utilize psychosocial scales to measure levels of anxiety and depression. The Interactive Metronome system will measure psychomotor skills, reaction times, balance and coordination. The Brainbuilder program measures, guides and assesses progress in memory, attention, impulsivity and sequencing. Interviews and observations are also utilized to evaluate progress. Sometimes the best way to measure progress is self-journaling and weekly reports," Van Ness said.

Practitioners may also use cognitive reframing, a method for working with negative thought patterns. Guided discovery, exposure therapy, journaling, behavior activation, role playing and stress reduction techniques can all be part of treatment. Your therapist will put together a plan after an initial meeting.

Cognitive therapy focuses on the specific brain function and wellness across an array of cognitive domains including memory, executive function, attention, visual-spatial processing, verbal function, problemsolving and working memory, said Van Ness. She explained this differs from other treatments for brain injury since it is individualized to the person's specific needs.

Van Ness said any person who has experienced an acquired or traumatic brain injury or any situation of

## Rehab Resources-HCS, LLC 616-690-3134

4164 Austin Bluffs Parkway, #313 Colorado Springs, CO 80918 Help in applying for Social Security Disability benefits and filing appeals of denials.

# ALCOHOL AND DRUG

#### 3 Point Club 719-542-6347

2506 Lake Avenue Pueblo, CO 81004 3 Point is recovery, AA, Al-Anon, drugs, etc. We're here to help people.

#### Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) 719-573-5020

www.aa.org

A fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope to help achieve sobriety. Colorado Springs Area Office – 1353 South 8th Street, Suite 209

Colorado Springs, CO 80905 www.coloradospringsaa.org Pueblo Office: Central Service Office 719-546-1173 4053 A Club Manor Drive Pueblo, CO 81008

#### Colorado Al-Anon/Alateen, Inc. 1-888-425-2666

http://al-anon-co.org/index.php Support groups for friends and families living with the problem-drinking of a relative or friend.

## Narcotics Anonymous Pikes Peak Region

719-637-1580

http://www.nacolorado.org
Fellowship of men and women who help each other
stay clean from addiction.

## VA Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Programs

http://www.va.gov/directory/guide/state\_SUD.cfm?STATE=CO

Substance use disorder (SUD) programs for military veterans.

Colorado Springs Office: PFC Floyd K. Lindstrom

Clinic

719-327-5660

3141 Centennial Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Pueblo Office: Pueblo Outpatient Clinic

719-553-1000

4776 Eagleridge Circle Pueblo, CO 81008

# ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

## **Ablelink Smart Living Technologies** 719-592-0347

6745 Rangewood Drive, Suite 210
Colorado Springs, CO 80918
www.ablelinktech.com
Easy-to-use app software supporting independent
living in the areas of scheduling, video modeling and

#### **Accessible Systems**

www.AccessibleMed.com

Helping people of all ages and abilities modify their home: Stairlifts, ramps, lift systems, remodels and more.

#### **Colorado Springs - 719-387-0675**

Service Area:

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Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Woodland Park, Monument, Peyton

#### Denver - 303-693-7787

Service Area:

Denver, Aurora, Thornton, Castle Rock, Boulder, Westminster

#### Northern Colorado - 970-475-1880

Service Area:

Greeley, Fort Collins, Cheyenne, Loveland, Lyons

## Affordable Medical Supply 719-632-4036

1833 North Circle Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.AffordableMedMart.com

Affordable Medical Supply has rentals, durable medical equipment, wound supplies and more!

# Assistive Technology Partners- Center for Inclusive Design and Engineering 303-315-1280

1224 5th Street Denver, CO 80204

www.AssistiveTechnologyPartners.org

Empowering individuals with assistive technology by providing exemplary clinical services, consultation, education, research and development.

## **Health Promotion Partners - Fitness to Drive Program**

719-231-6657

2924 Beacon Street, Suite D Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.HealthPromotionPartner.com Adaptive driving equipment evaluation and training program.

#### Independence Center, The 719-471-8181

729 South Tejon Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.TheIndependenceCenter.org Access to information and financial resources for people with disabilities around technologies and home modifications.

#### Life Wheels On 719-331-1011

Servicing: Denver, Colorado Springs, and Pueblo www.LifeWheelsOn.com

LWO provides in-home physical therapy wheelchair evaluations and training. Assessment of other home equipment; prn.

#### **PCs for People** 720-278-7725

6035 East 38th Avenue Denver, CO 80207 www.PCsForPeople.org

We provide affordable computers/laptops and low-cost internet to eligible individuals and nonprofits.

#### Pikes Peak Community College Computer Access Center 800-356-6847

5675 South Academy Boulevard, A130 Colorado Springs, CO 80906 www.ppcc.edu/accessibility-services/ CAC offers courses and training in computer assistive tech including voice recognition, text to speech and more!

#### United Access 719-590-1400

6285 Corporate Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80919 www.UnitedAccess.com Accessible vehicles, mobility equipment rental, installation and repair.

#### Westpeak Mobility 719-299-2167

903 East Fillmore Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80907
www.WestpeakMobility.com
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# COGNITIVE / BEHAVIORAL / MENTAL HEALTH

## A Cognitive Connection, LLC 719-233-1199

2163 North Academy Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.aCognitiveConnection.com Individualized cognitive and behavioral support, neurofeedback and brain integration training. We also offer computerized cognitive assessment and education.

## **Adult Community Services** 719-440-6445

2210 East La Salle, #108 Colorado Springs, CO 80909 Mental health counseling for adults with co-occurring medical and mental health illnesses.

## **Apgar Center** 719-442-0415

302 East Uintah Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.apgarcenter.com

Outpatient speech therapy services including cognitive retraining, executive function skills training memory compensation, and return to work programs.

#### **Balance Chiropractic**

709-265-0115

808 Village Center Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80919

www.balancecolorado.com

Non-traditional chiropractic focused on helping people with TBIs, whiplash, and neck injuries.

## **BrainCare LLC** 719-520-5656

6243 Soaring Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80918

www.braincarellc.com

BrainCare provides supported living in housing with a rehabilitation focus to individuals with brain injuries.

## **Child Community Services** 719-440-6445

2210 East La Salle Street, Suite 108 Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.childcommunityservices.org Individual and family therapy and targeted case management for children and youth with mental illness.

## **CorKinect** 719-660-1720

Serving the Pikes Peak Region Three-dimensional cognitive approach for reestablishing neuropathways; helps improve daily function and emotional balance.

## Franciscan Community Counseling, LLC 719-955-7009

7665 Assisi Heights
Colorado Springs, CO 80919
www.community.stfrancis.org
FCC provides assessment and therapy for all without regard to affiliation, or ability to pay.

## Fred Dearborn, LPC 719-660-1613

617 North 17th Street, Suite 201 Colorado Springs, CO 80904 Mental health counselor specializing in Rapid Resolution Therapy (RRT) for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

## Harmonized Brain Centers 719-661-6422

www.HarmonizedBrainCenters.com
Improved brain function from concussion or
TBI using safe, proven, effective, state-of-the-art
Neurofeedback, biofeedback, and other modalities.
Colorado Springs office
2149 North Academy Boulevard
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

Denver office 9034 East Easter Place, Suite 207 Centennial, CO 80112

## Healing Pathways Counselors and Neurofeedback Services

719-694-3309

5265 North Academy Boulevard, Suite 3300 Colorado Springs, CO 80923 https://therapists.psychologytoday.com I specialize in trauma therapy and provide individual sessions for adults. Accepting Medicaid and other insurance. English/ Spanish.

## Impact Vision Therapy 719-302-8922

1710 Jet Stream Drive, Suite 100
Colorado Springs, CO 80921
www.impactvisiontherapy.com
Training exercises enhance recovery of brain function
by stimulating and strengthening visual connections in
the brain.

## Last Key on the Ring, PLLC 719-357-1810

1935 Dominion Way, Suite 201 Colorado Springs, CO 80918 Trauma-focused therapy for individuals recovering from brain injuries. EMDR trained.

## National Alliance on Mental Illness 719-473-8477

1615 South Murray Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80916 www.namicoloradosprings.org NAMI offers free education and support programs for

those who live with mental illness and their families.

#### Peak Vista Community Health Centers 719-632-5700

3205 North Academy, Suite 130 Colorado Springs, CO 80917 www.peakvista.org

Peak Vista Community Health Centers is a nonprofit Federally Qualified health center dedicated to providing medical, dental and behavioral health care to people of all ages. See website for complete listing of all outpatient centers in the Pikes Peak and East Central Plains regions.

#### Shandy Clinic 719-597-0822 x123

685 Citadel Drive East, Suite 580

Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.shandyclinic.com Exceptional therapy for exceptional children! Offering speech, occupational and physical therapy in multiple convenient locations.

#### Solvista Health 719-275-2351

3225 Independence Road Cañon City, CO 81212 http://solvistahealth.org/ Solvista offers mental health care and addiction recovery services. Access 24/7 crisis help at 719-275-2351.

## Trudy C. Dawson MSW, LCSW, PC 719-377-2118

7035 Campus Drive, Suite 808
Colorado Springs, CO 80920
www.trudycdawson.com
Cognitive and behavioral services for brain injury
survivors and family members. Supportive services
include counseling and biofeedback.

## UCCS Aging Center 719-255-8002

4863 North Nevada Avenue, Suite 321 Colorado Springs, CO 80918 www.uccs.edu/agingcenter.com The UCCS Aging Center offers comprehensive neuropsychological assessments and recommendations regarding treatment.

#### COMMUNITY RECREATION / LEISURE RESOURCES

#### Achilles Pikes Peak 828-712-3737

www.facebook.com/achillespikespeak Helping make recreation, fitness and competition more accessible for people with disabilities.

## Adaptive Adventures 303-679-2770

1315 Nelson Street, Unit 1 Lakewood, CO 80215 www.adaptiveadventures.org Progressive outdoor sport opportunities for children, adults and veterans with physical disabilities.

## Adaptive Sports Center 970-349-2296

19 Emmons Road Mt. Crested Butte, CO 81225 www.adaptivesports.org Empowering people living with disabilities through outdoor adventure activities.

## **Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado** 303-355-9969

1325 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite B300 Denver, CO 80222 www.BIAColorado.org Offers recreation and social programs that are multiday, one-day, and numerous social events to meet other survivors.

## **Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center** 970-453-6422

300 Snowy Ridge Drive Breckenridge, CO 80424 www.boec.org The BOEC expands the potential of people with disabilities through meaningful and educational outdoor experiences.

#### Brainline for Military | www.brainlinemilitary.org/

## **Center Toward Self-Reliance** 719-546-1271

901 West 8th Street Pueblo, CO 81003 www.cfdpueblo.org Enhancing the independence of people with disabilities.

## City of Aurora - Therapeutic Recreation 303-326-8410

800 Telluride Street Aurora, CO 80011

www.auroragov.org/recreation

Encouraging meaningful recreation opportunities and programs for individuals with disabilities to enhance and expand social, cognitive, affective and physical abilities.

## **City of Boulder Parks and Recreation** 303-413-7269

3170 Broadway
Boulder, CO 80304
www.BoulderColorado.gov/parks-rec
Recreation programs designed for independent adults
who have acquired a mild traumatic brain injury.

## City of Colorado Springs Therapeutic Recreation Program

719-385-6964

1315 East Pikes Peak Avenue

Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.coloradosprings.gov/tr Provides recreation and leisure opportunities for youth and adults with disabilities; including specialized programs and inclusion services.

# City of Fort Collins - Adaptive Recreation Opportunities 970-224-6027

215 North Mason St. Fort Collins, CO 80524 www.fcgov.com/aro

The ARO program offers a variety of specialized recreation and fitness programs for people of all ages and abilities.

Center for Disease Control (CDC) www.cdc.gov/TraumaticBrainInjury

# **ITERARY CONTEST: WINNER**

#### **PITY**

DON'T YOU DARE PITY ME

FOR I LIVE PROUD AND PITY FREE.

I WOULD DO IT ALL OVER AGAIN IF NEED BE,

FOR THIS GREAT NATION 'TIS OF THEE.

I STAND TALL AND PROUD, SO DON'T YOU DARE PITY ME.

FOR I LIVE AND WILL DIE PITY FREE

NO MATTER HOW MANGLED MY BODY IT MAY BE,

THE SCARS AND PAIN ARE SIMPLE REMINDERS YOU SEE,

THE SACRIFICES MADE FOR THE LAND OF THE FREE.

THERE ARE MANY MORE WHO HAVE GIVEN MORE THAN ME,

SO I HONOR THEM BY LIVING PITY FREE.

I TRULY HAVE LIVED BETTER LIVING PITY FREE

SO I HAVE ONE REQUEST, CAN YOU DO IT FOR ME?

PLEASE DON'T YOU DARE PITY ME

FOR I LIVE PROUD AND PITY FREE.

SFC Brian Mancini, USA Retired Combat Medic Purple Heart recipient X2 Founder, Honor House. A non-profit organization helping Veterans transition from military to civilian life.

## City of Lakewood 303-987-4867

1555 Dover Street Lakewood, CO 80215 www.lakewood.org/RISE

Providing opportunities for inclusive and therapeutic recreation in the Lakewood community.

# City of Wheat Ridge Parks & Recreation - Therapeutic Recreation Program 303-231-1300

4005 Kipling Street Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 www.rootedinfun.com

Recreation and leisure opportunities for individuals with disabilities of all ages and abilities.

## Community Sailing of Colorado 303-757-7718

4800 South Payton Street (Cherry Creek Reservoir)
Greenwood Village, CO 80111
www.communitysailing.org
Providing therapeutic recreation through sailing
with specialized equipment. Come experience the

Providing therapeutic recreation through sailing with specialized equipment. Come experience the tranquility of the water.

## **Denver Parks & Recreation - Adaptive Recreation**

720-865-0820

1849 Emerson Street Denver, CO 80218

www.denvergov.org/adaptiverecreation Adaptive recreation opportunities throughout the Denver Metro area for people of all ages with disabilities.

#### Du Myon Martial Arts 719-301-3839

7868 North Academy Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80920 www.dumyonmartialarts.org Safe traditional martial arts family learning experience for those diagnosed with disabilities or at risk.

> Center on Brain Injury Research and Training http://cbirt.org

## Easterseals Colorado - Rocky Mountain Village

303-569-2333

2644 Alvarado Road

Georgetown, CO 80444

www.easterseals.com/co/our-programs/play/rocky-mountain-village-camp/

Rocky Mountain Village functions as a fully accessible retreat/rental facility dedicated to supporting people with disabilities.

#### Fishing Has No Boundaries 719-873-3462

1535 Saratoga Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80910 www.csfhnb.org

Opportunities for persons with disabilities to have the experience of fishing from a boat.

#### **Flying Pig Farm**

Crystal Park Road & Keithley Road Manitou Springs, CO 80829 www.facebook.com/flyingpigmanitou Connect and heal – Work with earth! Join in planting, harvesting, work projects and animal care.

## National Sports Center for the Disabled (NSCD)

303-633-5803

1801 Mile High Stadium Circle, Suite #1500 Denver, CO 80204 www.NSCD.org Adaptive sport for all disabilities and ages.

#### Paradox Sports 720-638-5593

P.O. Box 273

Eldorado Springs, CO 80025

www.paradoxsports.org

Paradox Sports transforms lives and communities through adaptive rock and ice climbing opportunities that defy convention.

## Pikes Peak Library District 719-531-6333

5550 North Union Boulevard (other locations throughout El Paso County)

www.ppld.org.

Providing resources and opportunities that change individual lives and build community.

## South Suburban Parks & Recreation – Buck Center

303-797-8787

2004 West Powers Avenue Littleton, CO 80120

www.sspr.org

Promote independence, choice, participation, growth and confidence for people with disabilities.

#### Town of Parker, Recreation Center – Therapeutic Recreation Division 303-841-4500

17301 East Lincoln Avenue Parker, CO 80134 www.parkerrec.com

Using adapted programming, strive to minimize barriers, increase leisure awareness, promote skillbuilding and improve well-being.

## **United States Association of Blind Athletes**

719-866-3222

30 Cimino Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.usaba.org

Empowers blind and visually impaired Americans through sports, recreation and physical activities.

# COMPLEMENTARY & ALTERNATIVE THERAPIES

## **Acupuncture by Tawnya Salas** 719-545-6189

126 West D Street, Suite 100C Pueblo, CO 81003 www.pointbacktohealth.com Acupuncture treatments addressing PTSD symptoms, memory, focus, depression, anxiety, stress and sleep.

## **Balance Chiropractic** 719-265-0115

808 Village Center Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80919 www.balancecolorado.com Non-traditional chiropractic focused on helping people with TBIs, whiplash and neck injuries.

## Body Brain Connection, LLC 719-338-9103

Serving the Pikes Peak area
Certified Brain Integration Practitioner
RMP, EFTM, BA Social Work
Holistic approach utilizing targeted modalities
releasing emotional and energetic impact of trauma,
stress and fight/flight or freeze.

#### Chanda Plan 1-800-766-4255

1630 Carr Street Lakewood, CO 80214 www.iamtheplan.org

Provides access to integrative therapy to improve health outcomes for persons with physical disabilities.

#### **Chef Stevie**

Serving the Colorado Springs Area Chefstevie.com

A.N.D. Registered Nutritionist, Health Chef and Holistic Health Practitioner providing nutrition and health counseling/education.

### Comfort Me Weighted Blankets 513-405-1478

Serving the Pikes Peak area Washable, pet safe, Weighted Sensory Blankets providing comfort for adults/children with or without sensory disorders.

## Concussion Place, The 719-380-8055

3425 Austin Bluffs Parkway Colorado Springs, CO 80918 theconcussionplace.com

Accident recovery specialists focusing on vision/ balance training, neurocognitive services, chiropractic, and physical therapies. No referral necessary!

# INJURY PREVENTION & CONTROL: Traumatic Brain Injury

In 2014 there were about **2.87 million**TBI-related emergency department visits.

Information provided by the Centers for Disease Control

## **Corkinect Brain Integration Practitioner** 719-660-1720

Serving the Pikes Peak area Three-dimensional cognitive approach for reestablishing neuropathways; helps improve daily function and emotional balance.

#### **Dancing Goose Therapeutics, LLC** 719-321-8570

441 Manitou Avenue, Suite 200 Manitou Springs, CO 80829 Dancinggoosetherapy.com / caregiverssidel

Dancinggoosetherapy.com / caregiverssidekick.com Get body and mind working together. Experience body journaling, movement, breath and nature to reconnect self.

## **Eastern Sun TCM Acupuncture** 719-345-7110

2800 North 9th Street
Cañon City, CO 81212
www.easternsuntcmacupuncture.com
Acupuncture and Chinese Medicine for all conditions;
focusing on Complementary Medicine involving
neurological disorders.

## **Embracing Spirit Yoga** 719-661-8802

Serving the Pikes Peak area www.embracingspirityoga.com Adaptive yoga, stress reduction and meditation: wellness consult and essential oil education.

## Equine Approach, LLC, The 719-347-5811

PO Box 88275 Colorado Springs, CO 80908 www.theequineapproach.com Therapy, learning and personal growth through horsemanship, Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship Member Center.

#### Freedom Wellness 719-571-0070

3515 North Chestnut Street Colorado Springs, CO 80907 freedomwellnessnow.com Helping you with these tools: chiropractic, cranial sacral therapy and advanced lab testing.



#### **Healing Touch Craniosacral Therapist** 719-210-4634

1519 East Boulder Street Colorado Springs, CO 80909 healingtouchoftherockies.com

A gentle, hands-on method of evaluating, enhancing and improving the function of your body's central nervous system.

#### **Lancaster Chiropractic** 719-404-1489

4736 Eagleridge Circle Pueblo, CO 81007

Lancaster Chiropractic is certified in Upledger cranial therapy and gentle effective chiropractic.

#### **Manual Edge Physiotherapy - Physical Therapy**

719-694-8342

6189 Lehman Drive, Suite 202 Colorado Springs, CO 80918 https://manualedge.com Highly trained hands-on Cranial Physical Therapists to treat your pain, headaches and brain.

#### Mind Gym 720-513-5092

8008 East Arapahoe Court, Unit 100 Centennial, CO 80112

Themindgymco.com

Hope and healing center providing neurofeedback for BI, anxiety, ADHD, PTSD and trauma.

#### Mountain High Service Dogs, Inc. 719-440-8282

325 2nd Street Monument, CO 80132

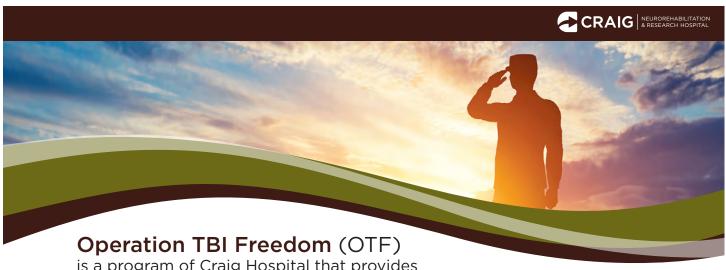
www.mtnhighservicedogs.com

Providing "Life Enhancing Canines" for people of all ages.

#### **Porter Cranio Therapies** 719-235-7872

1519 East Boulder Street Colorado Springs, CO 80909 portercraniotherapies.com

Biodynamic craniosacral and lymphatic therapies for closed head injuries and inflammation.



is a program of Craig Hospital that provides support for Veterans and active duty military personnel with traumatic brain injuries.



**OTF assists Service Members** and Veterans with traumatic brain injury (TBI), together with their families and caregivers, reach goals for a successful life.



operationt bifreedom.org



(855) 355-6824



facebook.com/ operationtbifreedom



OTF@craighospital.org

## Positive Note at the Colorado Springs Conservatory

719-577-4556

415 South Sahwatch Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
www.coloradospringsconservatory.org
A music-making program empowering young adults
with disabilities. Contact Heather Steinman at
hsteinman@csconservatory.org.

#### September Burton - Integrative Nutrition Health Coach 719-422-7238

Serving the Colorado Springs area. www.septemberburton.com Nutrition for brain health.

#### **Shorin Center** 719-268-9560

955 Garden of the Gods Road, Suite E Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.shorinkungfu.com

The Golden Spirit Kung Fu Program is specifically designed for students with special needs. Tai Chi uses gentle movements that can contribute greatly to physical, emotional and mental well-being.

## StableStrides 719-495-3908

13620 Halleluiah Trail

Elbert, CO 80106 www.stablestrides.org Health and healing through horses, including horseback riding therapy and mental health therapy.

#### UCHealth 719-365-7130

1625 Medical Center Point Colorado Springs, CO 80907 Manage complications of brain injury, spasticity, via therapy, Botox injections and baclofen pumps.

#### **DAY PROGRAMS**

## Challenge Aspen 970-923-0578

P.O. Box 6639, Snowmass Village Mall, Suite 309 Snowmass Village, CO 81615 www.challengeaspen.org Day, week or month-long programs, year-round, all ages, Roaring Fork Valley.

## Connecting with Community, Inc. 719-634-3121

895 Columbine Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80904 www.cscoa.com

Club of Arts Learning Center is our innovative day program, dedicated to individual enrichment, community development, and creative empowerment.

#### Goodwill of Colorado 719-635-4483

1460 Garden of the Gods Road Colorado Springs, CO 80907 communications@discovermygoodwill.org Offering community integration, CNA care, supported employment, variety of activities, transportation, and more.

#### Donna Atwell's House, LLC 719-232-9872

7705 Eastwood Road Colorado Springs, CO 80919

We're a mother/daughter team providing day program and respite services for individuals with developmental disabilities.

#### Mosaic 719-380-0451

4775 Centennial Boulevard, Suite 150
Colorado Springs, CO 80919
www.mosaicinfo.org
Providing a life of possibilities for people with
intellectual disability through supported employment,
host home and a community based day program.

### Our House Inc. 719-477-0109

1609 South Wahsatch Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80905 www.ourhouse.org Nonprofit focused on increasing independence for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

National Resource Ctr. for Traumatic Brain Injury www.tbinrc.com

## Sky Cliff Center 303-814-2863

4600 East Highway 86 Castle Rock, CO 80104 www.skycliff.org

Providing day programs for seniors and adults with disabilities since 1984.

## **Special Kids Special Families** 719-634-4675

3450 North Nevada, Suite 110 Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.sksfcolorado.org We strive to offer activities that are sensory stimulating, challenging, fun and interactive.

# **EDUCATION: BIRTH TO AGE 21**

# Adult + Family Education, School District 11 719-328-3001

Roy J. Wasson Academic Campus 2115 Afton Way Colorado Springs, CO 80909 d11.org/adulted

Provides educational experiences that equip students 17-and-older for success as parents, citizens, and workers.

## **BIAC Education Consultation** 800-955-2443

1325 South Colorado Boulevard
Building B, Suite 300
Denver, Colorado 80222
biacolorado.org/education-consultation
Youth Education Liaison specialist provides free statewide consultation/support services to children/youth ages 0-21 with documented brain injury.

#### **BrainSTEPS Colorado**

brainsteps.net/co/default.aspx Brain Injury School Re-Entry Consulting Program. Parents can make a student referral via this website.

Sports Concussions www.sportsconcussions.org

## College Living Experience 303-825-2533 x110

1391 Speer Boulevard, Suite 400
Denver, CO 80204
https://experiencecle.com/denver-colorado/
CLE is post-secondary and supports college or career goals, teaches independent living and social skills.

#### Colorado School Safety Resource Center-"Concussion & Traumatic Brain Injury"

colorado.gov/pacific/cssrc/concussion-traumatic-brain-injury

Colorado Department of Education's Resource Center for Concussion & TBI. Packed with resources for parents and educators.

#### **Colorado Kids with Brain Injury Website**

Maintained by Colorado Department of Education cokidswithbraininjury.com

Website serves as tool for families, educators, and professionals to help support our kids with brain injuries.

#### Du Myon Martial Arts 719-301-3839

7868 North Academy Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80920 https://www.dumyonmartialarts.org Safe traditional martial arts family learning experience for those diagnosed with disabilities or at risk.

## IN! Colorado Initiative for Inclusive Higher Education

720-629-0196

6500 South Quebec Street, Suite 300 Englewood, CO 80111 inclusivehighered.org

Creating fully inclusive college opportunities for students with intellectual disabilities to foster academic growth, social development, and career advancement.

## "Inclusive Higher Education Act" Senate Bill 16-196

https://inclusivehighered.org
This bill established pilot funding for inclusive higher
education programs in Colorado – UNC, UCCS,
Arapahoe Community College.

## Parent to Parent of Colorado 877-472-7201

801 Yosemite Street Denver, CO 80230

www.p2p-co.org

Connecting parents of sons and daughters with disabilities to information and emotional support across Colorado.

## Peak Parent Center 719-531-9400

917 East Moreno Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903 http://www.peakparent.org PEAK equips parents/professionals with skills they need to educate students with disabilities and abilities.

## Pikes Peak Library District 719-531-6333

Library locations listed on website ppld.org

Programs/classes for babies, toddlers, children, and teens. See calendar of events on each library's website.

#### **REAP Manual**

https://reapconcussion.com A community-based concussion management approach that includes Family Team, Medical Team, and School Teams.

## **Summit Psychological Assessment & Consultation LLC**

719-235-7104

7710 North Union Boulevard, Suite 100A Colorado Springs, CO 80920 http://summitpac.net Summit provides neuro-educational assessments, individual support plans, and strategies for success.

# Colorado Kids with Brain Injury cokidswithbraininjury.com

#### **EDUCATION: ADULT**

## Adult and Family Education 719-328-3001

Roy J. Wasson Academic Campus 2115 Afton Way Colorado Springs, CO 80909 d11.org/adulted

Provides quality educational experiences that equip all students for success as parents, citizens and workers.

## **Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado** 303-355-9969

1325 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite B-300 Denver, Colorado 80222 biacolorado.org/education-consultation We offer a variety of classes and workshops to survivors of brain injury and caregivers throughout Colorado.

## College Living Experience (CLE) 303-825-2533

1391 Speer Boulevard, Suite 400
Denver, Colorado 80204
https://experiencecle.com/denver-colorado/
CLE is post-secondary. It supports college or career goals and teaches independent living and social skills.

#### Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center/ Bemis School of Art at Colorado College 719-634-5581

Military Artistic Healing Program for Veterans and Military Families
30 West Dale Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
https://fac.coloradocollege.edu/art-school/
Learn to utilize artistic and creative exercise through therapeutic processes to heal past traumas.

## **Colorado Springs Senior Center** 719-955-3400

1514 North Hancock Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903

ppymca.org/Colorado-springs-senior-center/about-us Education and recreation center for those 55 and older. Providing social outlets for seniors in our community.

## Colorado Talking Book Library 303-727-9277, 800-685-2136

180 Sheridan Boulevard
Denver, CO 80226-8101
https://myctbl.cde.state.co.us
Provides free audio, Braille and large print books
to Coloradans with visual, physical or learning
disabilities.

#### **Colorado Workforce Diploma Program**

www.coloradodiploma.com Colorado residents 21 or older can earn a high school diploma online at NO COST.

# Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell / Special Services Program 800-243-6687

52 University Boulevard Roswell, New Mexico 88203 roswell.enmu.edu/special-services Specialized occupational training for students with disabilities including living skills training. In-state tuition for Coloradans.

#### **Independence Center, The**

719-471-8181 x135

729 South Tejon Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.theindependencecenter.org Supports people with disabilities in learning the skills necessary to living independently in their home.

#### Job Corps 719-596-6850

320 North Academy Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.jobcorps.gov Residential career training program for ages 16-24.

Earn high school diploma, train for a career, obtain employment.

## Pikes Peak Community College / Office of Accessibility Services

719-502-3333

5675 South Academy Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80906 ppcc.edu/accessibility-services Assists students with disabilities to self-advocate for accommodations, interpreters, assistive technology, etc.

## Pikes Peak Library District 719-531-6333

Pikes Peak Library locations listed on website ppld.org/classes
Classes include: computers, photography, tai chi,

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## Pueblo Community College Disability Resource Center

719-549-3446

900 West Orman Avenue, Academic Building Room 120 Pueblo, CO 81004

pueblocc.edu/disability-resources Accommodations, assistive technology equipment and courses, student rights and notice of nondiscrimination.

#### Rocky Mountain ADA Center 719-444-0268

3630 Sinton Road, Suite 103 Colorado Springs, CO 80907 rockyada.org

Providing information, guidance and education on the Americans with Disability Act for individuals, businesses and institutions.

#### UCCS Disability Services

appointments, peer notes, etc.

719-255-3354

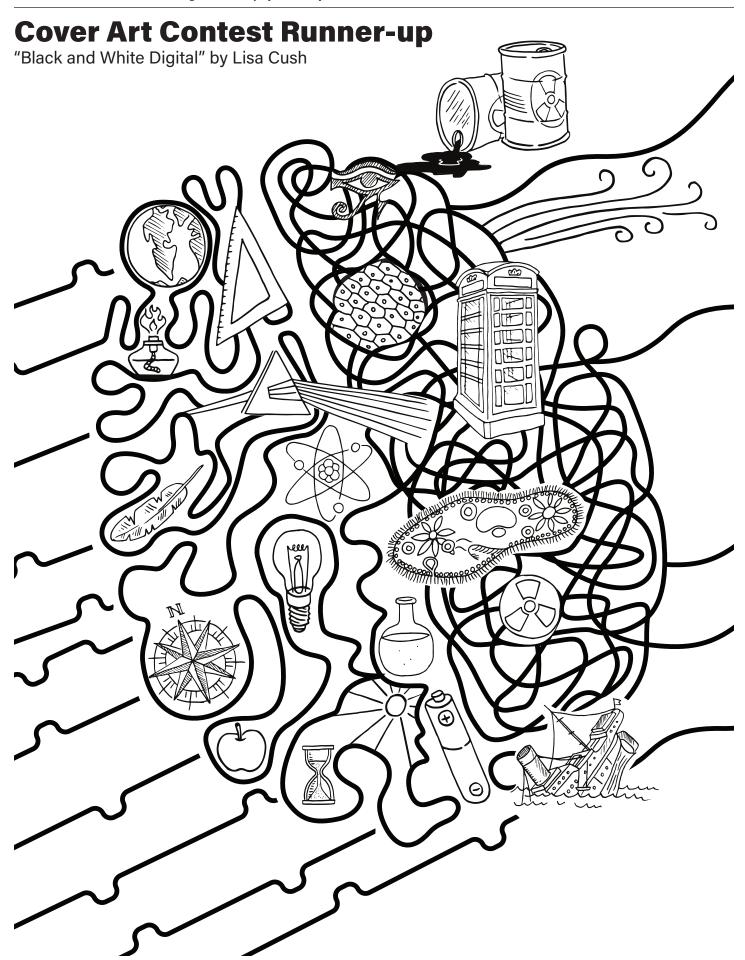
providers.

1420 Austin Bluffs Parkway, Main Hall, #105 Colorado Springs, CO 80918 uccs.edu/disability Provides students with disabilities accommodations and support services such as alternate books, test

# SPEAKERS / PRESENTATIONS

## **Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado** 303-355-2443

1325 South Colorado Boulevard Denver, CO 80222 biacolorado.org BIAC is the go-to resource for help and services for survivors of a brain injury, their families, and



## Holistic Herbal Health 303-249-7742

17538 East Pondlilly Drive Parker, CO 80134

www.RootedInHealth.com

Informative, sought-after speaker/educator, Dr. Zeph delights her audiences with vital, alternative and integrative medicine therapies.

#### **I CARE**

#### 719-338-9103

Barbara Jeanne, B.S. and Tamara Tinsley, B.A.
National Speakers/Trainers empowering and uniting resources. Mastermind and Mastery groups available.
You Inspire Me! Speakers Bureau – 941-661-5935
Motivational, inspirational speakers who have triumphed over tragedy and who share their stories of brain injury.

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#### INJURY PREVENTION & CONTROL:

#### **Traumatic Brain Injury**

Children aged **0-4 years**, older

adolescents aged 15 to 19 years,

and adults aged 65 years and

**older** are most likely to sustain a TBI

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#### **EMPLOYMENT**

## Are We There Yet Travel 719-210-0013

Colorado Springs, CO 80920 arewethereyetco.com Work from home opportunities in the travel and tourism as a travel agent/consultant.

#### Colorado Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

www.colorado.gov/pacific/dvr/contact-us-90 Employment services for eligible individuals with disabilities to help them reach their employment goals.

Cañon City - 719-275-7408

3224 Independence Road

Cañon City, CO 81212

**Colorado Springs - 719-635-3585** 

1365 Garden of the Gods Road, Suite 250

Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Pueblo - 719-544-1406

720 North Main, Suite 320

Pueblo, CO 81003

## **Common Roots** 719-578-1227

805 South Tejon Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

We provide individualized services to help people get and keep jobs in their community.

#### Goodwill of Colorado 719-635-4483

1460 Garden of the Gods Road Colorado Springs, CO 80907 communications@discovermygoodwill.org Offering community integration, CNA care, supported employment, variety of activities, transportation and more!

## Independence Center, The 719-471-8181

729 South Tejon Street
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
www.theindependencecenter.org
Services to include resume writing, interview
preparation, job skills and employment processes.

## Job Accommodation Network (JAN) 800-526-7234

Office of Disability Employment Policy/US

Department of Labor

http://askjan.org

Leading source of free, expert and confidential guidance on workplace accommodations and disability employment issues.

## PalCE (Professional and Internship Community Experience)

719-276-6173

1313 College Avenue

Cañon City, CO 81212

Cañoncityschools.org

A work and internship program for Cañon City and Florence Jr/Sr High School students to gain real-world experience while earning school credit.

#### **Workforce Centers**

www.colorado.gov/cdle/wfc State agency offering job search and training opportunities for eligible workers including those with disabilities.

#### Cañon City - 719-275-7408

3224 Independence Road

Cañon City, CO 81212

#### Colorado Springs/Pikes Peak Workforce Center

- 719-667-3700

1675 Garden of the Gods Road

Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Pueblo - 719-562-3731

212 West 3rd Street

Pueblo, CO 81003

# FINANCIAL / BENEFITS

## **Beneficent** 719-645-8350

665 Southpointe Court, Suite 100 Colorado Springs, CO 80906

www.Doinggoodforothers.com

Help get these services paid for: In-Home Care, Assisted Living, Full Skilled Care while preserving assets.

#### Sports Concussions | www.sportsconcussions.org

## **CFPD - Colorado Fund for People with Disabilities**

303-733-2867

1355 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite 920

Denver, CO 80222

www.cfpdtrust.org

Special needs trusts, conservatorship, rep payee, ABLE account and advisory services.

## **Colorado Community Health Alliance** (CCHA)

719-598-1540

P.O. Box 13406

Denver, CO 80202

www.cchacares.com

Health First Colorado's regional organization that helps administer physical and behavioral health benefits and coordinate care and services for Medicaid members.

## **Community Assistance Program** 866-889-1662

5001 Centennial Boulevard, Suite 50956

Colorado Springs, CO 80919

www.usmedsavings.org

Free prescription medication savings and brand-name international mail-order medications.

## Colorado Department of Revenue 303-205-5901

2447 North Union Boulevard

Colorado Springs, CO 80909

https://www.colorado.gov/revenue

Includes enforcement, lottery division, division of motor vehicles, and taxation division.

# Department of Health Care Policy and Financing 303-866-2993

1550 000 2000

1570 Grant Street

Denver, CO 80203

www.colorado.gov/hcpf

Administers Brain Injury Waiver for people with brain injury who need extra support in their communities.

## Brain Injury Association of America www.biausa.org

#### **Department of Human Services**

Food assistance, adult medical programs, Aid to the Needy and Disabled program which provides a state assistance payment once a month for disabled individuals who have low or no income.

El Paso County - 719-636-0000

1675 Garden of the Gods Road

Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Pueblo County - 719-583-6110

2631 East 4th Street Pueblo, Colorado 81001

## Friends of Man 303-798-2342

P.O. Box 937

Littleton, CO 80160

www.friendsofman.org

Provides charitable assistance. Only referring professionals may request an application. Details on website.

#### Independence Center, The 719-471-8181

729 South Tejon Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.theindependencecenter.org Assistance with applications, work incentives, education and management of federal/state and other benefits.

#### IRS Taxpayer Assistance Center 719-226-3300

2864 South Circle Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80906

https://www.irs.gov/help/contact-my-local-office-in-colorado

Personal tax help and face-to-face assistance with tax issues.

#### Medicaid 877-267-2323

See Department of Human Services to apply. https://www.medicaid.gov State and federal healthcare programs providing health coverage to low-income people.

#### Medicare 800-633-4227

See Social Security Administration listing to apply. https://www.medicare.gov

Federal health insurance program for people age 65+ or people with qualifying permanent disabilities.

## Pikes Peak Probate Services 719-219-6309

312 South Weber Street, Suite 100 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.pikespeakprobate.com Professional fiduciary services for people with disabilities, conservatorships, trusts and estates.

#### **Pikes Peak United Way**

2-1-1 / 719-632-1543

518 North Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903 http://ppunitedway.org/211

Help line that connects people to basic human needs and health services in our community.

#### **Project COPE**

719-668-3836

A program of Colorado Springs Utilities Foundation P.O. Box 1103, MC 950

Colorado Springs, CO 80947-0950

Year round Utilities Assistance program for CSU customers facing challenges that impose temporary financial hardship.

#### **Social Security Administration** 800-772-1213

www.ssa.gov

SSDI-Social Security Disability Insurance

www.ssa.gov/disability

Pays monthly benefits to people who are no longer able to work due to a disability.

SSI- Supplemental Security Income

www.ssa.gov/ssi

A Federal income supplement program to help aged, blind and disabled people with little or no income.

#### Colorado Springs - 888-880-0688

2306 East Pikes Peak Avenue

Colorado Springs, CO 80909

Pueblo - 719-545-9248

3769 Parker Boulevard

Pueblo, CO 81008

Cañon City - 719-275-7848

115 North 10th Street

Cañon City, CO 81212

Center on Brain Injury Research and Training http://cbirt.org

#### YOU ARE NOT ALONE

By TBI Survivor Cat Anthony
Fear comes to me in my
at night,
Out of my control and ha
No way to solve, no way
break free
Stuck where it hurts,
Unable to see.
Unable to see the preser
Can't fix the past
Hard to see the future
Wearing fear like a cast.
How long will I be broker
When will I be free?
Free to be courageous.
To be the best I can be.
As you see my fellow suf
Your feelings are your ow
Know that I am out there
Truly understanding and Fear comes to me in my dreams

Out of my control and hard to fight.

No way to solve, no way to

Unable to see the present,

How long will I be broken?

As you see my fellow sufferers,

Your feelings are your own.

Know that I am out there.

Truly understanding and that,

YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

#### Tax Help Colorado

www.piton.org/tax-help-colorado Offers free tax preparation assistance to individuals who earn less than \$54,000 a year.

#### The Resource Exchange 719-388-1100

6385 Corporate Drive, Suite 301 Colorado Springs, CO 80919 www.tre.org

A Community Centered Board and single entry point for all Colorado Medicaid waivers including Brain Injury waiver benefits.

ID 4 the Web | http://id4theweb.com/appreviews

#### Thrivent Financial 719-896-4204

2060 Briargate Pkwy, Suite 120 Colorado Springs, CO 80920

https://connect.thrivent.com/Paul-gamache

Paul Gamache and his team provide financial guidance to families with special needs and disabilities.

#### **Tri-Lakes Cares** 719-481-4864

235 Jefferson Street Monument, CO 80132 www.tri-lakescares.org

TLC is a community resource agency offering emergency relief, and self-sufficiency services.

#### **Unemployment Benefits** 800-388-5515

Colorado Department of Labor & Employment 633 17th Street, Suite 201

Denver, CO 80202-3660

https://myui.coworkforce.com

Temporary, partial wage replacement to workers who have been unemployed through no fault of their own.

#### Victim Compensation, El Paso/Teller counties

719-520-6000

105 East Vermijo Avenue, Suite 111 Colorado Springs, CO 80903

http://www.4thjudicialda.com/VictimCompensation.html Victim may be helped with medical expenses, funeral expenses and some lost wages.

#### **Westside Cares** 719-389-0759

2808 West Colorado Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80904

www.westsidecares.org

Providing care and compassion to west side neighbors in need today, tomorrow and beyond.

#### **INJURY PREVENTION & CONTROL:** Traumatic Brain Injury

In every age group, TBI rates are **higher** for males than females

Information provided by the Centers for Disease Control

# HOUSING: HOUSING ASSISTANCE

## Access to Freedom, Inc. 719-260-7687

PO Box 63507 Colorado Springs, CO 80962 www.accesstofreedom.com

Colorado Springs leading installer of ramps, grab bars, stair lifts, remodels at affordable prices.

#### **Accessible Systems**

We offer free in-home evaluations www.AccessibleMed.com

Helping people in all ages and abilities live happily in their home: stair lifts, bathroom safety, wheelchair ramps and lifts.

#### **Colorado Springs - 719-387-0675**

Servicing: Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Woodland

Park, Monument, Peyton **Denver - 303-693-7787** 

Servicing: Denver, Aurora, Thornton, Castle Rock,

Boulder, Westminste

Northern Colorado - 970-475-1880

Servicing: Greeley, Fort Collins, Cheyenne,

Loveland, Lyons

## **Brothers Redevelopment -Emergency Repair Program**

719-666-7181

2762 Janitell Road

Colorado Springs, CO 80906

www.brothersredevelopment.org

Provides assistance for critical housing repairs. Must meet income guidelines. Application on website.

#### **Colorado Housing Authority**

The Colorado Housing Authority offers several housing assistance programs.

Calhan Housing Authority 719-347-2616 406 Cheyenne Street Calhan, CO 80808 Colorado Springs Housing Authority/ El Paso County Housing Authority 719-387-6700 831 South Nevada Avenue, Suite 2 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.csha.gov

Fountain Housing Authority 719-382-5639 501 East Iowa Avenue Fountain, CO 80817

Pueblo Housing Authority 719-544-6230 1414 North Santa Fe Avenue, Suite 10 Pueblo, CO 81003 www.hapueblo.org

#### **Colorado Housing Search**

www.coloradohousingsearch.com Colorado's official free housing locator service. Also, state of Colorado's "disaster housing locator and resource."

## Colorado Property Tax/Rent/Heat Credit (PTC) Rebate

www.colorado.gov (enter PTC into search box) State rebate program for Colorado residents who are disabled or age 65+.

## Crawford House 719-477-1639

415 South Weber Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.cvrcforvets.org

We provide emergency housing for veterans who are homeless and receiving care by Veteran's Affairs.

## Energy Outreach Colorado via BIAC 303-355-9969

1325 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite B300 Denver, CO 80222 www.biacolorado.org Energy Outreach CO assists with overdue utility bills. Apply through Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado.

Center on Brain Injury Research and Training http://cbirt.org



#### **AHOD Services, LLC**

For an All Hands on Deck approach to:

- Transition coordination
- Life skills training
- Peer mentorship
- Transition home set up

Call 833-937-2463 or email MFlemings@ahodservices.com

#### Get up. Go. And get back to an active life.

Penrose-St. Francis Rehabilitation is southern Colorado's leading treatment center for neurological rehabilitation after an injury or brain disorder. We offer a full range of hospital care through outpatient services.

- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy Seating and

- Penrose Outpatient

📥 Centura Health.

- Wheelchair Clinic
- Speech, Language and Positioning Clinic
  - Vestibular Program

Colorado Springs, CO 80907

#### **Energy Resource Center** 719-591-0772

114 West Rio Grande Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.erc-co.org Making homes energy efficient to help lower utility cost and save energy. Free for those who qualify.

#### **Family Promise / IHN** 719-329-1244

519 North Tejon Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.ihn-cos.org Short term transitional housing program. One family member must be willing and able to work.

#### **Greccio Housing** 719-475-1422

1015 East Pikes Peak, Suite 110 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.greccio.org Affordable housing provider. See website for details.

#### **Housing First Pikes Peak** 719-473-5557

2010 East Bijou Street Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.homewardpp.org Homeward Pikes Peak works with individuals to achieve housing and recovery services.

#### Partners in Housing 719-473-8890

455 Gold Pass Heights Colorado Springs, CO 80906 www.partnersinhousing.org Transitional housing for families.

#### **INJURY PREVENTION & CONTROL: Traumatic Brain Injury** An estimated **1.7 million** people sustain a TBI annually

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#### **Rocky Mountain Community Land Trust** 719-447-9300

1212 West Colorado Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80904 www.rmclt.org

RMCLT partners with low-income families in home ownership.

#### **HOUSING: RESIDENTIAL /** RESPITE

#### A Wildflower Assisted Living 720-628-9092

Several locations in the Denver metro area www.awildflowerassistedliving.com Specializing in a supportive living program for people with traumatic or acquired brain injury in a residential setting.

#### Access to Freedom, Inc. 719-260-7687

PO Box 63507

Colorado Springs, CO 80962 www.accesstofreedom.com

Affordable stair lifts, wheelchair ramps, grab bars, bathroom and kitchen remodels for disabled.

#### Accessible Systems

We offer free in-home evaluations www.AccessibleMed.com

Modify the home to work for you and your caregiver; stair lifts, ramps, railing. Lift and transfer, bathroom safety.

**Colorado Springs - 719-387-0675** 

Servicing: Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Woodland

Park, Monument, Peyton Denver - 303-693-7787

Servicing: Denver, Aurora, Thornton, Castle Rock,

Boulder, Westminster

Northern Colorado - 970-475-1880

Servicing: Greeley, Fort Collins, Cheyenne,

Loveland, Lyons

#### Defense Centers of Excellence Outreach Center | resources@dcoeoutreach.org



#### The Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado

is the go-to resource for help and services for survivors of an injury to the brain, their families and providers

- PUBLIC POLICY
- SURVIVOR FOCUSED WORKSHOPS AND PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES
- PROVIDER OUTREACH AND TRAINING
- REGULAR EMAIL NEWSLETTERS
- EMERGENCY UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE
- PIKES PEAK CHALLENGE FUNDRAISER
- RECREATION PROGRAMS

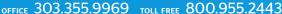
- PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING GROUPS
- SUPPORT GROUPS
- ONLINE RESOURCE DIRECTORY
- EDUCATION ABOUT BRAIN INJURY AND WHAT TO EXPECT
- REFERRALS TO PROVIDERS
- ON-GOING CLIENT FOLLOW UP
- CASE MANAGEMENT

## **BIAColorado.org**









#### **ARA**

#### 303-877-7965

Several locations in the Front Range area www.auroraservices.com
Supportive services in residential settings for individuals with brain injuries. Focus on independence and quality of life.

### BrainCare, LLC 719-217-8850

6243 Soaring Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80918 https://braincarellc.com/ Brain Care provides supported living in housing with a rehabilitation focus to individuals with brain injuries.

## **Brothers Redevelopment** 719-666-7181

2762 Janitell Road Colorado Springs, CO 80906 www.brothersredevelopment.org Provides assistance for home modifications. Must meet income guidelines. Application on website.

## Flourish Supportive Living 303-803-6977

2150 West 29th Avenue, Suite 520
Denver, CO 80211
www.flourishsupportiveliving.com
Residential assisted living services for individuals
with brain injury. Our program promotes health and
socialization.

#### Greeley Center for Independence/ Stephens Brain Injury Campus 970-506-0008

2774 West Reservoir Road Greeley, CO 80634 www.gciinc.org We are a Supportive Living Program under the Colorado Medicaid Brain Injury Waiver.

#### INJURY PREVENTION & CONTROL:

#### **Traumatic Brain Injury**

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## **Hilltop Life Adjustment Program** 970-245-3952

Grand Junction, CO 81501 www.htop.org Offering residential and day program. Accepts Medicaid (HCBS-EBD and BI SLP Provider), Worker's

#### Mosaic

#### 719-380-0451

1405 Wellington Avenue

Compensation and private pay.

4775 Centennial Boulevard, Suite 150
Colorado Springs, CO 80919
www.mosaicinfo.org/locations/colorado/coloradosprings/
Supported employment, host home and community

Supported employment, host home and community-based day program for people with intellectual disabilities.

## Rocky Mountain Care and Consulting (RMCC)

#### 720-412-5730

Various locations throughout the Denver metro area Denver, CO 80134

Long term community-based residential services for individuals diagnosed with brain injury.

## Supportive Living Program (SLP) 720-551-8230

Various locations throughout the south Denver metro area

Info@slpcolorado.com www.slpcolorado.com

Long-term community-based residential services for individuals diagnosed with brain injury. BI Waiver and private pay accepted.

# IN-HOME & FAMILY CAREGIVING

## A Caring Heart Home Health 719-505-1010

2140 Hollow Brook Drive, Suite 200 Colorado Springs, CO 80913 https://acaringhearthomehealth.com/ We provide medical/non-medical services and telehealth. Insurance accepted: Medicare, Medicaid, VA, TriWest and self-pay.

## About Kids and Adults Too Home Health Care

#### 719-387-7775

2790 North Academy Boulevard, Suite 238 Colorado Springs, CO 80917 https://aboutkids.com We offer RN, LPN, CNA, Parent CNA, OT, PT and ST services.

#### **Accessible Systems**

We offer free in-home evaluations.

www.accessiblemed.com

In-home safety evaluations from design to install: stair lifts, ramps, railing, bathroom modification and elevators.

#### **Colorado Springs - 719-387-0675**

Servicing: Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Woodland

Park, Monument, Peyton

Denver - 303-693-7787

Servicing: Denver, Aurora, Thornton, Castle Rock,

Boulder, Westminster

Northern Colorado - 970-475-1880

Servicing: Greeley, Fort Collins, Cheyenne,

Loveland, Lyons

#### **AHOD Services**

#### 833-937-2463

2641 East Uintah Street / Box 9632 Colorado Springs, CO 80909

www.AHODServices.com

We provide transitional services for individuals who wish to move from nursing homes into independent living.

#### **Argus Home Health Care**

Providing Independent Living Skills Training to survivors of brain injuries.

www.Argushomehealthcare.com

#### Cañon City - 719-275-1101

501 Main Street

Cañon City, CO 81212

Denver - 303-322-4100

720 South Colorado Boulevard, Suite 600N

Glendale, CO 80246

La Junta - 719-383-0450

421 West 3rd Street

La Junta, CO 81050

Pueblo - 719-543-2634

821 Desert Flower Boulevard

Pueblo, CO 81001

# NOTES

## BrightStar Care 719-264 8800

3730 Sinton Road, Suite 200 Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.Brightstar.com/Coloradosprings From Companion Care, Personal Care to Higher Standard Skilled Nursing in the home, 1-24 hours, 7/365.

#### Envida

#### 719-633-4601

5660 North Academy Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80918

Home care and transportation for those with brain injuries and disabilities, low income individuals and older adults.

#### Frontier Home Health and Hospice 719-544-5891

4718 North Elizabeth Street, Suite A Pueblo, CO 81008

Our care providers are highly skilled and experienced

in home health, non-medical, and hospice.

## Heartfelt Care at Home 719-362-0094

www.frontiercares.com

1755 Telstar Drive, Suite 300 Colorado Springs, CO 80920 www.heartfeltcareathome.com Heartfelt Care at Home – Your top local, reliable, personal home care option...100% satisfaction guaranteed!

#### **Independence Center, The**

719-471-8181

729 South Tejon Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.theindependencecenter.org Skilled and unskilled home health long-term services and supports in your home.

#### **Interim HealthCare and Hospice**

Offering skilled nursing and therapy along with nonmedical homecare services. Hospice and palliative care is also available.

#### **Colorado Springs - 719-632-9900**

1901 North Union Boulevard, Suite 100 Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.interimhealthcare.com/coloradosprings

#### Pueblo - 719-545-1184

720 North Main Street, Suite 400 Pueblo, CO 81003 www.interimhealthcare.com/pueblo

#### Kindred at Home

#### 719-531-9585

5755 Mark Dabling Boulevard, Suite 325 Colorado Springs, CO 80919 www.kindredatheart.com We provide nursing, OT, PT and speech therapy.

#### Maxim Healthcare Services

719-538-5600

7150 Campus Drive, Suite 160 Colorado Springs, CO 80920 www.maximhealthcare.com In-home skilled visit and Private Duty Nursing.

## MGA Home Healthcare 719-476-0200

1355 Garden of the Gods Road, Suite 130 Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.mgahomecare.com MGA provides pediatric in-home Private Duty Nursing, CNA, Skilled Nursing, PT, OT and Speech Therapy.

#### **PASCO**

#### 719-960-4995

El Paso County www.Pascohh.com

Helping Families care for their loved ones with the paid family caregiver program.

## Pikes Peak Respite Services 719-659-6344

PO Box 38455

Colorado Springs, CO 80937

https://pikespeakrespiteservices.com

PPRS provides respite, personal care, homemaker and community connector services 24/7! Pikes Peak Respite Services on Facebook.

#### Sages Elder Care

719-393-3580

6584 Bull Hill Court

Colorado Springs, CO 80919

www.Sageseldercare.com

In-home care designed to keep people independent and safe in their homes.

#### **Team Select Home Care**

www.teamselecthh.com

**Colorado Springs – 719-277-6697** 

1125 Kelly Johnson Boulevard, Suite 301

Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Pueblo - 719-292-1231

101 South Main Street, Suite 204

Pueblo, CO 81003

#### **LEGAL**

#### Anderson Injury Law Firm 719-473-3040

217 East Fillmore Street Colorado Springs, CO 80907

www.lawrja.com

Personal injury attorney helping accident victims obtain fair compensation for their injuries.

## Chalat Hatten & Banker PC 303-861-1042

1600 Broadway, Suite 1920

Denver, CO 80202

www.chalatlaw.com

Contact Chalat Law to speak with an experienced attorney who understands details, costs and impact of Traumatic Brain Injury.

## Diane K. Bross, P.C. 719-634-7734

2139 Chuckwagon Road, Suite 305 Colorado Springs, CO 80919 www.dianebrosslaw.com Social security, disability and bankruptcy.

## Disability Consultants 719-596-5898

4740 Flintridge Drive, Suite 210 Colorado Springs, CO 80918

We advocate for and represent people with disabilities through all levels of the social security process.

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#### **Disability Law Colorado**

https://disabilitylawco.org

We offer legal representation, information and referrals to people with disabilities, older people and their families.

Denver Office - 303-722-0300

455 Sherman Street, Suite 130

Denver, CO 80203

Grand Junction Office - 970-241-6371

322 North 8th Street

Grand Junction, CO 81501

#### **Equal Justice Foundation, Inc.** 719-520-1089

455 Bear Creek Road Colorado Springs, CO 80906

www.ejfi.org / dvmen.org

The defense of human and individual rights as secured by law.

#### Fuicelli and Lee, P.C.

www.Coloradoinjurylaw.com

Our experienced personal injury attorneys obtain justice for accident victims suffering from traumatic brain injuries.

Denver Office - 303-355-7202

1731 Gilpin Street

Denver, CO 80218

Pueblo Office - 719-755-4000

503 North Main Street, Suite 202

Pueblo, CO 81003

## Gaddis, Herd, Craw and Adams, P.C. 719-471-3848 / fax: 719-471-0317

15 West Cimarron Street, Suite 300 Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Personal injury, medical malpractice, insurance bad faith, estate planning, wills and trusts, probate, real estate and more.

#### Law Firm of Ted Bills 719-444-1000

501 North Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.springsattorney.com Your personal injury attorney.

# U.S. Brain Injury Alliance usbia.org

## Law Office of Frederick Newall 719-633-5211

730 North Weber, Suite 101 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.fnewall.com

Since 1980, Mr. Newall has been faithfully representing clients involving SSI, SSDI, personal injury, etc.

### Law Offices of Allison Tyler 719-520-5690

985 Pico Point Colorado Springs, CO 80905 www.allisontylerlaw.com Social security disability.

## Ogborn Mihm, LLP 303-592-5900

1700 Lincoln Street, Suite 2700

Denver, CO 80203 www.omtrial.com
Highly skilled and compassionate representation for brain injury survivors.

## Purvis Gray Thomson, LLP 303-442-3366

4410 Arapahoe Avenue, Suite 200 Boulder, CO 80303 www.Purvisgray.net Our brain injury attorneys have represented many victims of serious head and brain injuries.

## Rector Law Firm 719-578-1106

131 South Weber Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.rectorlawfirm.com

Personal injury, auto accidents, motorcycle accidents, criminal defense, bad faith insurance, wrongful death.

## Rocky Mountain ADA Center 719-444-0268

3630 Sinton Road, Suite 103 Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.Rockymountainada.org Providing information, guidance and training on the Americans with Disability Act.

## Webster Law Firm, LLC, The 719-633-6620

985 Pico Point

Colorado Springs, CO 80905 www.websterlawfirmllc.com

Helping survivors of traumatic brain injuries and their families since 2007.

## Winegar Law 719-634-2336

101 North Cascade Avenue, Suite 420 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.winegarlaw.com Personal injury, contract disputes and criminal defense

## Wm. Andrew Wills II, P.C. 719-633-8500

121 South Tejon Street, Suite 900 Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.Willslawpc.net

Over 35 years of success in litigation of personal injury claims including Traumatic Brain Injury. Free initial consultation provided upon request.

#### **MILITARY**

# AFW2 (Air Force Wounded Warrior Program) 800-581-9437

Joint Base San Antonio Randolph, TX 78150 woundedwarrior.af.mil

AFW2 provides well-coordinated and personalized support to wounded, ill or injured Total Force recovering service members (RSMs).

## AW2 (U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program)

703-571-2662

Arlington, VA 22202 www.wtc.army.mil

Helping soldiers transition through the Wounded Warrior Lifecycle, while fostering their independence.

Brainline for Military www.brainlinemilitary.org/

#### **Balance Chiropractic**

719-265-0115

808 Village Center Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80919

balancecolorado.com

Non-traditional chiropractic focused on helping people with TBI's, whiplash and neck injuries.

#### Bruce McCandless State Veterans Nursing Home 719-784-6331

903 Moore Drive

Florence. CO 81226

https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdhs/bruce-mccandless-veterans-community-living-center-florence

Offering veterans Long-Term-Care, short-term rehab, special programs, and other amenities.

## Challenge Aspen 970-923-0578

Snowmass Village Mall, #309

P.O. Box 6639

Snowmass Village, CO 81615

Challengeaspen.org

Week-long retreats, year-round activities, total wellness, Roaring Fork Valley.

## Colorado Springs Vet Center 719-471-9992

www.va.gov 602 South Nevada Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80903

## **Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center**

800-870-9244

Fort Carson, CO 80913

Dvbic.dcoe.mil

DVBIC provides TBI educational tools and resources to the military and civilian populations.

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## DHA Connected Health (formerly T2 Health)

253-968-1914

**JBLM** 

Washington 98431

https://health.mil/About-MHS/OASDHA/Defense-Health-Agency/Operations/Clinical-Support-Division/Connected-Health

Leveraging technology to optimize health care across the Department of Defense (DoD)

#### El Paso County Veterans Service Office

719-520-7750

5850 Champion View, Suite 130

Colorado Springs, CO 80922

https://communityservices.elpasoco.com/veterans-services/

The primary purpose of the El Paso County VSO is to provide personalized local service to veterans and other claimants.

## Healing Warriors Program 970-776-8387

1044 West Drake Road, #202
Fort Collins, CO 80526
Pop up Saturday clinics along the Front Range
www.healingwarriorsprogram.org
Non-narcotic therapy for pain, PTS, TBI and sleep.
Free monthly pop-up clinics, check website.

## Home Front Military Care Network 719-577-7417

1120 North Circle Drive, Suite 230 Colorado Springs, CO 80909 pmcn.org

Connects military service members, veterans and their families to high quality resources provided by community partners and can provide one time emergency financial assistance.

## Homes for All Veterans 719-323-2600

17 South Weber Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 rmhumanservices.org/hav

Provides services designed to promote housing stability to the most vulnerable, low-income, and homeless Veterans.

#### Independence Center, The

719-471-8181

729 South Tejon Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Veteran Directed Care (VA funded) allows Veterans to remain in their homes/communities with appropriate services/supports.

#### inTransition

800-424-7877

Falls Church, VA 22041

www.health.mil/inTransition

inTransition is a free, confidential program offering assistance for all service members, veterans and retirees needing access to mental health care.

## Military & Family Life Counselors (MFLC)

719-338-7216

Army Community Services Building #1526

Fort Carson, CO 80913

https://carson.armymwr.com/promos/military-family-life-counselors

Brief, solution focused, and problem solving confidential counseling for Service Members and their families.

### Military One Source 800-342-9647

https://www.militaryonesource.mil Military One Source is your 24/7 connection to information, answers and sport.

## Operation TBI Freedom 855-355-6824

565 Communication Circle

Colorado Springs, CO 80905

https://craighospital.org/programs/operation-tbi-freedom

Offers case management to post 9/11 service members and veterans with traumatic brain injury.

### Pueblo Vet Center 719-583-4058

1515 Fortino Boulevard, Suite 130 Pueblo, CO 81008

#### **Real Warriors** 866-966-1020

www.realwarriors.net

Real Warriors encourages help-seeking behavior among service members, veterans and military families coping with invisible wounds.

#### **Team River Runner**

719-232-4395

www.teamriverrunner.org

Warrior transition battalions / Fort Carson, and local veterans adaptive paddling and recreational physical therapy.

## VA Eastern Colorado Health System Care System

**Colorado Springs - 719-327-5660** 

PFC Floyd K. Lindstrom Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic

3141 Centennial Boulevard

Colorado Springs, CO 80907

https://www.denver.va.gov/locations/ColoradoSprings.asp

#### Aurora - 303-399-8020 or 866-966-1020

VA Eastern Colorado Health System

1700 North Wheeling Street

Aurora, CO 80045

www.denevr.va.gov

## Warriors in Recovery and Structure for Wounded Warriors

719-271-7931

2137 North Academy Boulevard Colorado Springs, CO 80909

warriorsinrecovery.org

Helping wounded warriors and veterans heal from physical, mental and emotional injury through alternative methods of care.

## Warrior Recovery Center 719-526-4911

D :11: 5400

Building 7488

Fort Carson, CO 80913

Army.mil/Locations

State-of-the-science outpatient TBI care for military service members and retirees.

#### Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado | www.biacolorado.org

# Rhea Pedler successfully rebuilds life template after brain injury

Rhea Pedler's reality changed significantly six years ago after a thirty foot fall out of a window onto a flagstone patio left her with a skull fractured in two places and a shattered jaw.

After four days in a coma, two weeks in an intensive care unit, and months spent both inpatient and outpatient at Craig Hospital; this International Baccalaureate student still thought she would be able to play Division 1 soccer at a California university.

"When I woke up, I was in an incredibly happy, childlike state. I had no understanding of what was going on. As my time in the hospital went on, I thought I'd figured out that the ticket back to my old

life was just getting out of the hospital. My only goal was to get out of the hospital as fast as possible," she said. That meant that rather than take the time necessary to fully reflect and understand the injury, Rhea spent her time prioritizing things she thought clinicians wanted to hear.

At a family meeting with her care team one week before her release, her recovery took a different tone. The life that she thought was waiting for her on the outside was no more. Instead of trying to get back to the life she

thought she had, Rhea had to create a new life and try to figure out who this new person was. "My brain injury took any identity I thought I had. Every day I was waking up with a new and different brain, reality, and person. I had to completely relearn how to use my brain. With a brain injury what I have had to do has changed from month to month and year to year," she explained.

Over time Rhea has been in physical therapy, occupational therapy, cognitive therapy, speech therapy and counseling. She acknowledges she will

likely be in some sort of treatment for the rest of her life because "my brain is constantly changing and some of the accommodations I've had to make will continue to change with it."

Since 2014, Rhea has been very successful at rebuilding her life template despite the constant challenges. She graduated from college with degrees in psychology and sociology. She works full time for the Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado as a Brain Injury Advisor and is enrolled in the UCCS graduate school master track in clinical psychology with a trauma specification. At BIAC she operates the self-management program for the Southern region of Colorado. She uses her

"You are not alone in this, and you are not JUST your brain injury. You were someone before your injury and you will be someone after."

experience and education to help patients with life skills and life management after their injury. She also works in a a research lab for the University of Texas at Austin that is looking explicitly at language changes and patterns in brain injury survivors, and how the internalization of trauma is processed.

Looking back, Rhea said, "My brain injury changed my life, the way I prioritize things, and how I want to operate in society. I look normal, but I can't do things the same way from before,

nor can I think like everyone remembers." Her goal is to change the conversation around brain injury. "My recovery was impacted because of how my doctors, family and friends treated me." She also feels schooling has been the best thing for her cognitive recovery.

Rhea realizes that fatigue and anger have also played a role in her recovery. "I was so angry at what had happened. I didn't know how to cope with my anger for a long time. That emotional rollercoaster made me feel so lost, but anger was something I could always

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#### **Pedler Cont.**

count on. The anger was the only way I was able to push through the fatigue at times. Looking back, the paradox and battle between pushing and listening to my body left me in worse places than I was before. Not listening to the fatigue complicated my recovery in several places. I felt pushed, stressed and know I overdid it. Now, it's a little different story"

Her advice for new brain injury patients is to take full advantage of all treatment offered. While it may be hard, she encourages patients not to make decisions out of fear and encourages them to talk through concerns with other survivors who understand what is happening. "You are not alone in this, and you are not JUST your brain injury. You were someone before your injury and you will be someone after. Find those who can help you understand what you need to be the most successful. Don't let fear control your decisions or expectations," she said. She also suggests patients do their own research on treatment options and providers.

Find an outlet. For Rhea it was riding her horse because it allowed her to feel her body in a different way.

"Also remember that the brain injury survivor is not the only one who experiences the trauma. There is a huge impact on those close to patients. This wasn't just my accident. The people that love us go through all of this with us," Rhea explained. She said, it took a lot of therapy and outside assessment to move forward. "I had to sit in my own truth. I had to figure out my truth and what that meant."

Rhea looks at her life now and says, "My brain injury has changed my life for the better. I know how that sounds. The additional work I've had to put in after my accident means I am better at seeing the whole picture, and understanding that we need each other. I wouldn't have gotten here with the brain I had before. There is no denying what a brain injury takes from us, but life isn't about loss, it's about what we can do together."

## **Western Colorado Veterans Health Care System**

970-242-0231

www.grandjunction.va.gov 2121 North Avenue Grand Junction, CO 81501

#### Wings and Warriors 719-648-4412

P.O. Box 203

Woodland Park, CO 80866

www.wings-and-warriors.com

Provides service dogs and training to military veterans diagnosed with PTSD and TBI.

## Wish for Our Heroes - Rocky Mountain Chapter

www.wishforourheroes.org/chapters/colorado/ Helping veterans and their families one wish at a time. Contact via email at: kwooten@wishforourheroes.org

Colorado Kids with Brain Injury | cokidswithbraininjury.com

# PHYSICAL MEDICINE

#### **DRIVING PROGRAMS**

#### Health Promotion Partners - Fitness to Drive Program

719-231-6657

2924 Beacon Street, Suite D Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.HealthPromotionsPartners.com Occupational therapy driver evaluation and training program.

## HOSPICE, RESPITE AND COMMUNITY MEDICAL RESOURCES

## Ascending to Health Respite Care and SOAR

719-633-2800

1902 East Boulder Street Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.athrc.com

Low or no cost care servicing homeless persons with medical respite, temporary housing and recuperative care.

### **Mission Medical Center** 719-219-3402

2125 East La Salle Street Colorado Springs, CO 80909 www.missionmedicalclinic.org Medical, dental, vision, behavioral health and independent living for low income, uninsured and underinsured.

### **Peak Vista Community Health Centers** 719-632-5700

3205 North Academy Boulevard, Suite 130

Colorado Springs, CO 80917 www.peakvista.org Please visit website for complete list of locations for all outpatient centers throughout the Pikes Peak Region and East Central Plains.

#### **NEURO OPTOMETRY**

### **Bettner Vision Brain Injury and Vision Therapy Center** 719-282-0400

9205 North Union Boulevard, Suite 110 Colorado Springs, CO 80920 www.bettnervision.com Comprehensive eye care, neuro-optometric rehabilitation and vision therapy services for patients of all ages.

### **Blair Vision Care**

www.blairvisioncare.com

Allow the brain to rehabilitate from concussion and other trauma by recovering vision and spatial awareness.

Cañon City office - 719-431-6434

700 Main

Cañon City, CO 81212

Colorado Springs office - 719-999-8404

3958 North Academy, Suite 108 Colorado Springs, CO 80917

### **Pine Creek Vision Clinic** 719-594-2020

9475 Briar Village Point, Suite 200 Colorado Springs, CO 80920 Pinecreekvision.com Specializing in the rehabilitation of stroke and head injury.

#### MEDICAL DOCTORS

### Colorado Rehabilitation Physicians, PC 719-571-8010

Dr. J. Glen House, MD and Dr. Pio Guerrero, Jr., MD 6011 E. Woodmen Road, Suite 115 Colorado Springs, CO 80923

### Colorado Springs Neurological **Associates**

719-473-3272

2312 North Nevada Avenue, Suite 100 Colorado Springs, CO 809007 www.csneuro.com Proudly serving Colorado Springs for 60 years, providing neurology, neurosurgery and pain management.

### Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Clinic - Colorado Springs

719-365-6300

1725 Boulder Street, Suite 101 Colorado Springs, CO 80909

### **UCHealth Sports Medicine - Printers** Park Medical Plaza

719-633-5515

175 South Union Boulevard, Suite 350 Colorado Springs, CO 80910 Sports medicine physician who specializes in brain injury care across cognitive, physical and emotional domains.

### **UCHealth Brain and Spine Clinic -Colorado Springs**

719-365-6300

1725 Boulder Street, Suite 101 Colorado Springs, CO 80909

### UCHealth Neurology Clinic - Chapel Hills

719-365-7300

595 Chapel Hills Drive, Suite 325 Colorado Springs, CO 80920

### **UCHealth Neurology Clinic - Memorial Hospital Central**

719-365-7300

1400 East Boulder Street, Suite 700 Colorado Springs, CO 80909

#### **REHABILITATION AND HOSPITALS**

## **Accelerated Recovery Specialists** 719-636-3333

Colorado Springs, CO 80919 www.acceleratedrs.com Specializing in musculoskeletal and electro diagnostic medicine including interventional procedures.

## Alliance Health Partners 719-632-4754

5731 Silverstone Terrace, Suite 100

3920 North Union Boulevard, Suite 160 Colorado Springs, CO 80907 www.alliancehealthpartners.com Providing effective, compassionate chiropractic services to patients with brain injuries.

## **Balance Chiropractic** 719-265-0115

808 Village Center Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80919 www.balancecolorado.com Non-traditional chiropractic foc

Non-traditional chiropractic focused on helping people with TBIs, whiplash and neck injuries.

## **Balance Point Vestibular Rehabilitation** 719-667-0666

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## INJURY PREVENTION & CONTROL: Traumatic Brain Injury

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719-365-3600

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### UCHealth Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Clinic - Woodland Park 719-686-5860

16422 West Highway 24, Suite 110 Woodland Park, CO 80863

### UCHealth Hospital - Central

719-365-5000

1400 East Boulder Street Colorado Springs, CO 80909

### **UCHealth Hospital - North**

719-365-5000

4050 Briargate Parkway Colorado Springs, CO 80920

## UCHealth - Powers Rehabilitation Clinic 719-365-5842

2999 New Center Point Colorado Springs, CO 80917

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## UCHealth - Monument Rehabilitation Clinic

719-364-9940

15854 Jackson Creek Parkway, Suite 120 Monument, CO 80132

### Brainline for Military | www.brainlinemilitary.org/

### **SUPPORT GROUPS**

## **Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado (BIAC)** 303-355-9969

1325 South Colorado Boulevard, B300 Denver, CO 80222 www.biacolorado.org BIAC is the go-to resource for help and services for survivors of an injury to the brain, their families and providers.

## COLORADO SPRINGS SUPPORT GROUPS

### **Balance Chiropractic**

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## **Encompass Brain Injury Support Group** 719-315-4824 Carol Cochran, Facilitator

Monthly meditation specifically for TBI survivors.

First Tuesday each month from 11:30 a.m. -1:30 p.m. (second Tuesday if the first is a holiday)
Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital
325 Parkside Drive
Colorado Springs, CO 80910
Support and education for adult brain injury survivors and caregivers.

## **Encompass Health Neuro Support Group**

#### 719-630-8000 Dr. Ott, Facilitator

First Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. 2nd floor in the Fay Brown Room Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital 325 Parkside Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80910 Support and education for survivors of any type of neuro event (injury, stroke, etc.).

## **Encompass Health Caregiver Support Group**

#### 719-630-8000 Dr. Ott, Facilitator

Every Monday 9:00- 10:00 a.m. 2nd floor in the Fay Brown Room Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital 325 Parkside Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80910 All caregivers are welcome.

427 East Colorado Avenue, Suite 239

## Finding Our Voices Support Group (a non-profit)

#### 719-650-3624 Joyce Aubrey, Coordinator

Colorado Springs, CO 80903 fovartshow@gmail.com A peer facilitated support group for adult women who have experienced sexual assault (the assault often

### **Finding Our Voices Healing Art Workshop**

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719-459-0901 or 719-548-9790 CBIS Debbie

#### Carnes, Facilitator

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We offer support, friendship, and stimulating activities for people with brain injuries from any cause.

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### Impact Vision Therapy - Support group 719-302-8922

Held the third week of each month. Call for specific dates and times.

1710 Jet Stream Drive, Suite 100

Colorado Springs, CO 80921

This group provides education and support for all with brain injuries, their family members, friends, and care givers.

## **Independence Center Brain Injury Support Group, The**

719-471-8181 Kevin Corrigan, Facilitator

2nd and 4th Wednesdays 1:30 -3:00 p.m.

The Independence Center

729 South Tejon Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

www.theindependencecenter.org

Brain injury group to share and to talk about the challenges of living with a brain injury.

## MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS ALLIANCE (MSA) of Southern Colorado Support Groups

719-633-4603

7011 Campus Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80920

www.msasoco.org

#### Men's Facilitated Support Group

Mondays 11:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. at the MSA Office

#### Co-ed Adaptive Yoga Group

Tuesdays 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. at the MSA Office

#### Women's Social Support Group

Tuesdays 11:00am - 12:00 p.m. at the MSA Office

#### Women's Facilitated Support Group

Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.mm at the MSA Office

#### **Pueblo Support Group**

Mondays 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Adaptive yoga class immediately followed by 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Support group at Center Towards Self Reliance, 901 West 8th Street, Pueblo, CO 81003

#### **Woodland Park Co-ed Support Groups**

1st and 3rd Wednesdays 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Co-ed facilitated support group 1:15-- 2:15 p.m. Co-ed adaptive yoga Woodland Park Public Library, 218 East Midland Ave, Woodland Park, CO 80863

### Operation TBI Freedom - A Military Program of Craig Hospital 303-789-8835

565 Communication Circle, Suite 100 Colorado Springs, CO 80905 www.operationtbifreedom.org

### Combat Veteran Peer Support Group 303-789-8835 Frederick Hinton, SFC (Retired), contact person

Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Any combat veteran is welcome. Must show proof of DD 214.

## Penrose Hospital Brain Injury Support Group

719-571-6661

Third Thursday of month, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Penrose Pavilion, 2nd floor, behind the former coffee bar

Penrose-St. Francis Health Services

2222 North Nevada

Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Support and education for brain injury and stroke survivors, caregivers, family members, friends and healthcare professionals.

### UCHealth Caregiver Support Group 719-365-2305 Rochelle Bruhn, M. Div, MCM, BCC

Every other Thursday 3:00- 4:15 p.m.

#### **Memorial Central Cancer Center**

1400 East Boulder Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80909

Caregivers come to this group to encourage, lift and strengthen one another.

## UCHealth Neuro Support Group 719-365-9837

2nd Tuesday of the month – the time varies, so call 1400 East Boulder Street

Colorado Springs, CO 80909

To provide education and support to patients and families of those affected by neuro events – brain injury, stroke, aneurysm, etc.

## CHAFFEE, FREMONT & OTERO COUNTIES SUPPORT GROUPS

## Fremont County Brain Injury Support Group

#### 719-315-4824 Carol Cochran, Facilitator

1st Tuesday each month 1:00-2:00 pm Cañon City Public Library 516 Macon Avenue Cañon City, CO 81212

Support and education for brain injury survivors and caregivers.

## **Heart of the Rockies Home Health and Hospice**

#### 719-539-7638 Stacie Reitinger

301 Oak Street, Unit E Salida, CO 81201 info@heartoftherockieshhh.com

### OTERO COUNTY Brain Injury Group 719-254-7631 DesarenayPfaff, D. Psy, D. Hom, DNH, PhD

#### 719-254-7631 George Pfaff, NCH

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Day and time vary, call to confirm. Rocky Ford Library
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Rocky Ford, CO 81067

All brain injury & stroke survivors, their family members and friends in Eastern Pueblo, Otero, Crowley, Bent, Baca Las Animas, Lincoln and Prowers Counties are welcome. Please contact the leaders before attending due to group members' multiple chemical sensitivities and airborne allergies. Drop Ins NOT allowed.

#### CRIPPLE CREEK SUPPORT GROUPS

## Cripple Creek Brain Injury Support Group

### 719-510-2547 Michele Chamberlain, IL Specialist for Teller and Park Counties 719-689-0200 Gail Melton, Peer Mentor

1st and 3rd Tuesday of month, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Aspen Mine Center, 2nd floor conference room 166 East Bennett Avenue Cripple Creek, CO 80813

We offer support, friendship and activities for all brain injury survivors, family members and friends.

## Cripple Creek Cross Disabilities Group 719-689-0200 Gail Melton, Facilitator

Last Friday of the month, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Aspen Mine Center, 2nd floor conference room 166 East Bennett Avenue Cripple Creek, CO 80813

We cover everyone and everything, e.g. amputations, hearing loss, loss of sight, brain injury, strokes, etc.

## Cripple Creek Veteran's Support Group 719-689-0200 Gail Melton, Facilitator

2nd Tuesday of month, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Aspen Mine Center, 2nd floor conference room 166 East Bennett Avenue Cripple Creek, CO 80813 We offer support for any veteran with a brain injury, PTSD, and more.

## ONLINE BRAIN INJURY SUPPORT GROUPS Brain injury Alliance of Colorado (BIAC)

https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/colorado-brain-injury-support

Online support group for survivors and caregivers to share the journey and give mutual support.

BIAC online support group for caregivers and loved ones of a brain injury survivor

https://groups.google.com/forum/?hl=en#!forum/biac-caregivers

A safe place for caregivers to connect with others and say whatever is on their mind without fear of offending someone with a brain injury.

#### **PUEBLO SUPPORT GROUPS**

### Pueblo Brain Injury, LLC 719-387-7093

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Our mission is to connect survivors of all brain injuries in Colorado's Southeast Region with resources and activities in Pueblo County that will strengthen their physical, educational, vocational and recreational abilities.

## **Center Toward Self-Reliance Brain Injury Support Group**

#### 719-387-7093 or 719-546-1271

4th Friday of every month 12:00 -2:00 p.m.

901 West 8th Street

Pueblo, CO 81003

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## Friendly Harbor Community Center Brain Injury Support Group

719-387-7093 Maria, or 719-545-2564 Thad G.

3rd Thursday every month 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. 2713 North Grand Avenue Pueblo, CO 81003

### Frontier Home Health and Hospice/ Grief Support Group

719-544-5891 Andrea Shirley, RN

Monthly grief support- call for specific times and dates 4718 North Elizabeth, Suite A Pueblo, CO 81008
Grief groups provide support for any type of loss.

## Pueblo Parkview Brain Injury Support Group

719-387-7093 Maria M.

2nd Wednesday of month 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Parkview Medical Center Patterson Building Room D 1128 North Santa Fe Pueblo, CO 81003 www.pueblobi@hotmail.com For adult survivors, caregivers, and others.

## Parkview Caregiver Support Group 719-387-7093 Maria M.

Meets quarterly. Call for more information. Pueblo Community College

## **Pueblo Community College Brain Injury Support Group**

719-387-7093 Maria M.

1st Monday of every month 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Academic Building, Room120 900 West Orman Avenue Pueblo, CO 81004

## Sangre de Cristo Community Care (Grief Support Group)

719-542-0032 Crystal Gerlock

1920 Valley Drive Pueblo, CO 81005 www.socohospice.org

#### STROKE SUPPORT GROUPS

## Disability Services of Colorado (DSC Stroke group)

719-574-9002

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. The DCS Stroke Group which formerly met at the Colorado Springs Senior Center, now meets with the TBI peer support group at The Independence Center 729 South Tejon Street Colorado Springs, CO 80903 www.dscolorado.org
For stroke survivors and their caregivers.

## **Encompass Health Stroke Support Group**

719-630-8000 Dr. Ott, Facilitator

Third Monday of month 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. 2nd floor in the Fay Brown Room Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital 325 Parkside Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80910 Stroke education for all stroke survivors and their caregivers.

## Parkview Stroke Survivor Group 719-584-4995 Veronica Baros

3rd Wednesday 1:00 -2:00 p.m. YMCA Community Meeting Room 3200 Spaulding Avenue Pueblo, CO 81008

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An estimated **2.87 million** people visited emergency departments for TBI-related concerns.

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## **Rocky Mountain Stroke Center** 303-730-8800

www.strokecolorado.org Resource/ Helpline

### Young and Young at Heart Stroke Support Group 602-317-8095

Coming summer 2020. 3rd Thursdays 6 – 7:30 p.m. Location to be determined

For survivors who seek support as they navigate working (or returning to work), parenting and relationships after experiencing a stroke.

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#### **Discount Bus ID Cards**

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### **Health Promotion Partners - Fitness to Drive Program**

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2924 Beacon Street, Suite D Colorado Springs, CO 80907

www. Health Promotion Partners. com

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Mountain Metro | Colorado Springs - 719-385-7433 1015 Transit Drive

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

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# Brain Teasers

Thanks to Carol Van Ness from A Cognitive Connection for these exercises for brain injury patients.

#### Count the 'F' s in this sentence:

"Finished files are the result of years of scientific study combined with the experience of years."

What word begins and ends with an E but only has one letter?

I'm tall when I'm young and I'm short when I'm old. What am I?

In a one-story pink house, there was a pink person, a pink cat, a pink fish, a pink computer, a pink chair, a pink table, a pink telephone, a pink shower-everything was pink! What color were the stairs?

Mike is a butcher. He is 5ft 10 inches tall. What does he weigh?

What are the next three letters in the following sequence? J,F,M,A,M,J,J,A,\_\_,\_

## Brain Teasers Answers

#### 1. Answer: 6

Most people say 3. Why? We often don't correctly process the word "of' for two reasons. First the letter F unusually makes the 'f' sound like in 'fox' However in the word 'of' it makes the 'v' sound. Second you have probably read the word 'of' so many times in your life that you process it as one unit, overlooking the second letter/sound.

Answer: envelope
 Answer: a candle

4. Answer: There weren't any stairs, it was a one-story house.

5. Answer: Meat 6. Answer- S,O,N

The sequence is the first letter of the months of the year. September, October, November are the next in the sequence.

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### **TBI versus ABI**

The medical terms and abbreviations associated with a diagnosis of a brain injury can be very confusing to a patient and the family. A brain injury can be classified in many different ways. Two ways in which a brain injury can be classified is as a traumatic brain injury (TBI) or as an acquired brain injury (ABI). All TBI's are also under the umbrella of an ABI, but not all ABI's are TBI's. Confused yet?

An ABI is defined as an injury to the brain occurring after birth that is not hereditary, congenital, or degenerative. Based on this definition, diagnoses such as cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, and Down's syndrome are not included under the category of ABI even though they may have involvement of the brain. Causes of an acquired brain injury do include tumors, blood clots, strokes, seizures, toxic exposures, infections such as meningitis or encephalitis, metabolic disorders from diabetes or liver or kidney diseases, neurotoxic poisoning such as carbon monoxide, and lack of oxygen to the brain from drowning, airway obstruction with choking, or cardiac arrest. As mentioned, a traumatic brain injury is also an ABI.

A traumatic brain injury, as defined by the Brain Injury Association of America, "is an insult to the brain caused by an external physical force that may produce an altered or diminished state of consciousness, which results in an impairment of cognitive abilities and/or physical functioning. It can also result in the disturbance of behavioral or emotional functioning. These impairments may be either temporary or permanent." Causes of a TBI can include: a motor vehicle accident, falls, gunshot wounds, sports injuries, workplace injuries, child abuse such as shaken baby syndrome, domestic violence, and military actions.

### **Helpful Brain Injury Websites**

#### Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado - www.biacolorado.org

The only statewide non-profit in Colorado exclusively dedicated to brain injury.

#### Brain Injury Association of America - www.biausa.org

Promotes awareness, understanding, and prevention of brain injury.

#### BrainLine - www.brainline.org/

Preventing, treating, living with TBI

#### Brainline for Military - www.brainlinemilitary.org/

Help for service members, veterans, national guard members, reserve and their families

#### Brain Trauma Foundation - www.braintrauma.org

Improving the outcome of TBI patients.

#### Center on Brain Injury Research and Training - http://cbirt.org

Research and training to improve the lives of children and adults with TBI.

#### Center for Disease Control (CDC) - www.cdc.gov/TraumaticBrainInjury

National Center for Injury, Prevention, and Control of Traumatic Brain Injury

#### Colorado Kids with Brain Injury - cokidswithbraininjury.com

Traumatic brain injury networking team resource network.

**Craig Hospital Brain Injury Education Information -**

www.craighospital.org/brain-injury-resource-library

Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center - www.dvbic.org

D. C. C. C. C. U. C. L. C. C.

**Defense Centers of Excellence Outreach Center -**

#### resources@dcoeoutreach.org

Free, fast, accurate information and assistance.

Get Schooled On Concussions - getschooledonconcussions.com

Lash and Associates Publishing/Training, Inc. -

#### www.lapublishing.com

Brain Injury Books on TBI, Mild Brain Injury, Concussion, Blast Injury, and PTSD.

#### National Resource Center for Traumatic Brain Injury www.tbinrc.com

Practical information for professionals, persons with brain injury, and family members.

#### National Stroke Association - www.stroke.org

Packed with stroke information

## **Brain injury resources**

MINDSOURCE, formerly known as The Colorado Brain Injury Program, was established in 2002 to provide care coordination and services to children and adults with brain injuries, as well as fund education and research regarding brain injury in Colorado. Revenue for this program comes from surcharges placed on traffic ticket convictions for speeding, the children's helmet law, DUI, and DWAI. The program partners with the Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado, Department of Education, and the Department of Public Health and Environment to provide comprehensive support across the state. Please visit tbicolorado.org for more information.

#### What is a brain injury?

Acquired brain injury is an injury to the brain that has occurred after birth and which is not hereditary, congenital, or degenerative. Causes include external forces applied to the head and or neck (traumatic brain injury), anoxic/hypoxic injury (cardiac arrest, carbon monoxide poisoning, airway obstruction, hemorrhage, drowning), intracranial surgery, infectious diseases, seizure disorders, toxic exposure (substance abuse, ingestion of lead, inhalation of volatile agents), aneurysms, and vascular obstruction (stroke).

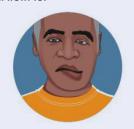
Brain injury affects the whole person, including changes in the physical, emotional, and cognitive areas of the body. These changes can impact how a person reacts to his or her daily life, including school and work, and how s/he manages his or her finances. Relationships and a person's well-being are determined by how well he or she can manage these challenges. The road can seem long and insurmountable, especially without help.

### **Concussion Warning Signs**

Thinking/ Remembering	Physical	Emotional/ Mood	Sleep
Difficulty thinking clearly	Headache Fuzzy or blurry vision	Irritability	Sleeping more than usual
Feeling slowed down	Nausea or vomiting (early on) Dizziness	Sadness	Sleep less than usual
Difficulty concentrating	Sensitivity to noise or light Balance problems	More emotional	Trouble falling asleep
Difficulty remembering new information	Feeling tired, having no energy	Nervousness or anxiety	

### **Stroke Warning Signs And Symptoms**

F.A.S.T. is:



**Face Drooping** — Does one side of the face droop or is it numb? Ask the person to smile.



**Arm Weakness** — Is one arm weak or numb? Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?



Speech Difficulty — Is speech slurred, are they unable to speak, or are they hard to understand? Ask the person to repeat a simple sentence, like "the sky is blue." Is the sentence repeated correctly?



Time to Call 911 — If the person shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call 911 and get them to the hospital immediately

Provided by the American Heart Association and the American Stroke Association

### **Assistive Technology for Traumatic Brain Injuries**

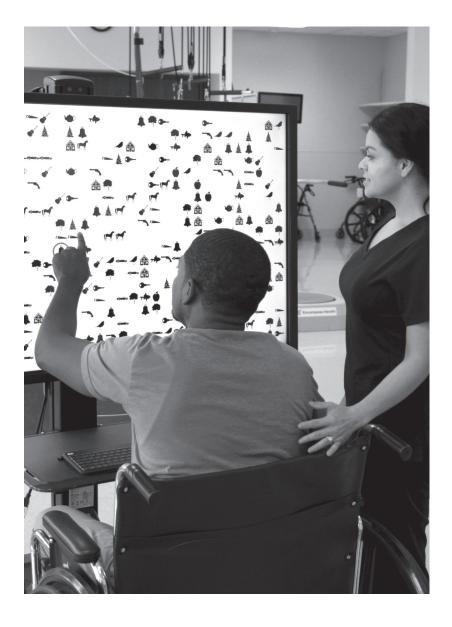
Having a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) can make everyday tasks seem very daunting. Assistive Technology (AT) can ease that fear with simple, easy-to-use devices that can make performing those tasks even easier. People that have a TBI often have difficulty with vision, memory and cognition, mobility, and weakness on one side, among other effects. AT devices can help with all of these functional limitations.

For example, recordable pens or key chains can be used to help with memory problems. For someone

with weakness on one side or other mobility challenges, there are products that help with food preparation, buttoning a shirt, or washing their hair. There are many devices that will help with grip difficulties. Everything from turning a doorknob to holding a utensil can be solved using AT. To help with vision, there are handheld or electronic magnifiers, as well as devices that will read a document out loud.

A person with a TBI should consult a professional prior to using Assistive Technology for a specific

pairing of a product that will work for their needs. Since TBI's affect each individual person differently, a product that works for one person may not be appropriate for another person. However, once a device is properly selected, it can be absolutely life changing and crucial in helping someone maintain their independence. For a full list of Assistive Technology resources, refer to the Assistive Technology section of the directory.



After brain injury, rehabilitation is one of the most important steps in the recovery process. Our hospital offers innovative therapies, a specialized team and advanced technologies to give patients the confidence and strength they need to return to their community.

## Learn more at ehc.rehab/coloradorehab



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