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| THE VOICE OF BRAIN INJURY

About the Brain Injury Association of New York State

The Brain Injury Association of New York State (BIANYS) is a statewide non-profit membership organization that advocates on behalf of individuals with brain injuries and their families, and promotes prevention. Established in 1982, BIANYS provides education, advocacy and community support services that lead to the improved outcome for children and adults with brain injuries.

Brain Injury Information Clearinghouse

- National Brain Injury Information Center (NBIIIC)
- Family Helpline 1-800-444-6443
- Resources and Resource Library
- Newsletter; Website; Facebook; Twitter; Instagram
- Chapters and Support Groups

Family Advocacy Counseling and Training Services Program (FACTS)

- Available for individuals injured before age 22 and their families
- Statewide network of FACTS Coordinators
- Available at no cost, in addition to waiver services
- Advocacy, linkage to community resources, community education, work in schools
- Prevention

Brain Injury Training and Services Program

- Training for school districts, early childhood staff, and juvenile residential programs, funded by New York State Department of Health under a federal grant.
- Training for Domestic Violence Providers
- Outreach regarding children and TBI, including LEARNet and REAP
- Understanding Life with Brain Injury trainings
- Professional Development: Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS) Training & Exam, Webinars, Archived Self-Study Programs, Professional Symposium and onsite trainings

Public Policy – Advocacy

- Brain Injury Advocacy Day on March 6, 2017 (NYS Legislature Albany, NY)
- Participate in and provide input to TBI Services Coordinating Council
- Advocacy on the Federal and State legislative levels
- Priorities involve protecting of existing brain injury services like the Medicaid TBI Waiver, improving access to services and supports, and creating a Brain Injury Trust Fund and an Office for Brain Injury
- Participated in the development and implementation of The Concussion Management & Awareness Law and other brain injury-focused legislation
- BIANYS acts as a resource for Legislators and the Media on brain injury issues

Prevention

- Helmet programs, bike rodeos, walk safe to school events
- Non-violent Conflict Resolution
- Fall prevention and traffic safety programs
- Concussion management and prevention

Other Activities

- Journey of Hope Gala
- March On for Brain Injury Walks
- Rose Day Campaign
- Brain Injury Awareness Month – March (Blue Jeans for Brain Injury campaign)
- Annual Brain Injury Survivors’ Art Show
- Documentary Films: “Keep Moving Forward”, “Coming Home”, and “Beyond the Invisible”

More Information

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