

This six-part webinar series will cover topics on traumatic brain injury research, education, and prevention. These presentations are part of the ongoing commitment by the TBI Continuing Education Grant to provide health education and outreach activities statewide. Family members, private providers, state agency personnel, and the general public who work with or have an interest in traumatic brain injuries are invited to participate.

February 23 • Life with Sophie the Service Dog: A Scientific Examination and Personal Memoir of a TBI Survivor

In this webinar Dr Stamm will discuss her own TBI and what it is like to be partnered with a service dog. Dr Stamm will discuss the latest scientific and policy literature on service dogs, emotional support dogs, and companion dogs. She will engage in a frank discussion about the positives and negatives of having a service dog, what people can expect a service dog to do, and discuss service dogs and community integration.

Beth Hudnall Stamm, PhD, Professor, Institute of Rural Health, Idaho State University

March 9 • Brain Injury: Searching the Cure—Reality versus Hope

This talk will discuss various types and severity of acquired brain injury. In addition to Acute Care interventions, discussion will be around cutting edge novel interventions for an array of associated disabilities. There will be a final overview of long term considerations for persons and families alike.

Alan H. Weintraub, MD, Medical Director-Craig Treatment Program, Craig Hospital, NIDRR TBI Center and NIDRR TBI National Statistical Database

March 14 • Using Smartphones & PDAs to Enhance Memory and Organization

Individuals with TBI often have difficulty with memory and organization skills. This presentation will focus on a study that demonstrated efficiency and practical applications for using generic technology to assist with completion of daily activities after TBI.

Roberta DePompei, PhD – Director, School of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, University of Akron

March 30 • Understanding Everybody's Behavior After Brain Injury: Don't "Don't!"

While a brain injury may neurologically impair one person, the effects of the injury are experienced by many others in that person's life. Understanding these

many different effects can guide all parties in understanding the behavior of everybody who is involved and how to effectively promote successful adaptation for all participants rather than fall into a never ending cycle of behavioral crisis management.

Harvey Jacobs, PhD, LLC, Licensed Clinical Psychologist/Behavior Analyst

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April 4 • Reintegration and Traumatic Brain Injury: Challenges Facing Our Veterans and Their Families

Reintegration of our military men and women from Active Duty life to Veteran and civilian status is a journey that can be difficult and emotional. Imagine traveling this road with a TBI. This presentation will focus on the specific challenges facing our Veterans and families with TBI as they navigate this journey, and resources within the DoD, VA and Civilian communities to assist them.

Karyn George, MS, CRC – National Manager, Office of Care Coordination-Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center/The TBI Operational Component of the Defense and Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury

April 13 • Family Coping after a Traumatic Brain Injury

This presentation will address the variables that challenge families when coping with brain injury. It will examine these variables from a societal and personal perspective providing family members insight into how to respond to brain injury.

Robert Karol, PhD, LP, ABPP, CBIST, President: Karol Neuropsychological Services and Consulting

This series will be broadcast over the internet to your computer. A computer (Windows XP/Vista/7 or Mac OS X 10.4+) with high speed internet access and headphones or speakers is required. To register please go to www.idahotbi.org. For technical assistance, please call (208) 282-4436.

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