



NEWS ALERT!

June 2, 2010

Dear NASHIA Member,

The **Third Interagency Conference on Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)** will be held on June 13-15, 2011, in Washington, D.C. at the Washington Hilton. The first Federal Interagency Conferences were held in 1999 and the second in 2006. Attendance at these conferences far exceeded expectations of the planning committee and was way beyond the capacity of the hotel. Feedback from attendees indicated that the conferences were highly successful educational events for the attendees and many requested that the conference continue to be offered in the future. As a result of this enthusiasm, the continued focus of TBI in the media and the need for researchers, clinicians and policy makers to "get out" the "latest and greatest" advances in TBI research and clinical care, a third conference is to be sponsored by a consortium of Federal Agencies. For the first time, this consortium brings together civilian and military research efforts. For more information, please email: tbiconf@u.washington.edu.

SAVE THE DATE

June 13-15, 2011

Washington Hilton

1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, DC

Important Dates

June 2010 - Symposium submission opens
July 1, 2010 - Early hotel and conference registration opens
October 1, 2010 - Early career poster abstract submission

For more information: <http://tbi-interagency-conference.org/index.htm>

INVITATION TO SUBMIT A SYMPOSIUM PROPOSAL

Clinicians, researchers, allied health professionals and consumers are all invited to participate in this conference. The intent of the conference is to provide an opportunity to learn about the seminal advances in TBI research and clinical care that have served to advance the field and to change service, practice and policy. The Program Committee invites proposals for 90 minute

symposia, focusing on evidence-based medicine, to be submitted.

Symposia proposals that are multi-institutional and/or multi-agency are encouraged.

Symposium organizers are encouraged to formulate proposals to fall into one of the following 3 outcomes for the conference:

Outcome #1: Effective Practices that Improve Community Integration and Long-Term Outcomes for Individuals with TBI

Outcome #2: Seminal Advances in TBI Research

Outcome #3: Role of Technology in Expanding Rehabilitation and Community Services to Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury

In addition, the Program Committee has identified the following themes:

- Biomarkers Neuro-Imaging
- Cognitive Rehabilitation
- Education and Employment
- Epidemiology
- Interventions
- Methodologies
- Outcome Measurement (including Common Data Elements Initiative)
- Polytrauma
- Sexuality
- TBI in the Elderly/Aging with a TBI
- Blast Injury
- Community Integration/Participation
- Endocrine Dysfunction
- Gender Issues
- Technology
- Mild TBI and Concussion
- Pediatric TBI
- Prevention
- Special Topics - Pathophysiology, Comorbid Conditions (PTSD, Substance Abuse)

General Guidelines:

Symposia are 90 minutes in length. A maximum of 4 presenters is allowed. Symposia must contain 15 minutes of planned 'question and answer' time.

For EACH symposium, you will be asked to provide the following:

- Title
- 300 word abstract
- Applicable outcome area (ONE from the following list):

Outcome #1: Effective Practices that Improve Community Integration and Long-Term Outcomes for Individuals with TBI

Outcome #2: Seminal Advances in TBI Research

Outcome #3: Role of Technology in Expanding Rehabilitation and Community Services to Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury

- Applicable themes/key words (One primary selection for track submission, although

multiple items may be designated in the body of the submission):

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-- Learning objectives

-- How will the information presented transform the field?

-- What are the implications of this symposium for future research?

-- Symposium Organizer

-- Detailed instructional plan:

1. Speaker, title, # of minutes, details of presentation
2. (if applicable) Speaker, title, # of minutes, details of presentation
3. (if applicable) Speaker, title, # of minutes, details of presentation
4. (if applicable) Speaker, title, # of minutes, details of presentation
5. Minimum 15 minute Q&A

-- Biographical Sketches for each presenter (please include why this person was selected for the specific presentation).

-- Name, degree, title/position, and contact information for all presenters

To submit a proposal go to <http://tbi-interagency-conference.org/submission.htm>.

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