Acquired Brain Injury Certificate Training

Date & Time: January 27 & 28, 2020, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (starting promptly)
Registration starts at 8:00 a.m.

Cost: $500 BIA-MA Members, $550 Non-members

Cancellations:
- Cancellations made 15+ calendar days prior to the course will be charged a $50 admin fee which will be deducted from the refund.
- Cancellations made 14 calendar days prior to the course will be charged a 30% admin fee which will be deducted from the refund.
- Cancellations within 7 calendar days or for absentees - NO REFUNDS WILL BE PROVIDED.

Register: [www.biama.org/abitraining](http://www.biama.org/abitraining)

Venue: University of Massachusetts Medical School Campus
Amphitheater - 4th Floor
333 South Street
Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Faculty: Francesca LaVecchia, Ph.D.

Agenda: The agenda for this two-day training is posted on [www.biama.org/abitraining](http://www.biama.org/abitraining)

Description of Training:
This two-day continuing education program is designed to provide participants with a foundational overview of the major categories of acquired brain injury (ABI), including neoplastic, traumatic, vascular, metabolic and infectious disorders of the central nervous system. Epidemiology, factors affecting outcome, and the potential long-term consequences, focusing on neurobehavioral, neurocognitive and sensorimotor sequelae, will be reviewed.

Learning Objectives:
In this two-day training program, participants will be able to:

1. List the structural and functional components of the brain and other central nervous system (CNS) structures.
2. Describe the epidemiology and descriptions of the major categories and subtypes of acquired brain injury (ABI), including brain tumors, traumatic brain injury, vascular, toxic, metabolic, and infectious disorders.
3. List the factors which influence outcome, with respect to the various types of ABI.
4. Identify and describe the common neurocognitive, sensorimotor, neurobehavioral/neuropsychiatric, and other consequences of ABI, and the correlation of these disorders with the type of ABI, severity and site(s) of injury within the brain.
5. Describe the principles of post-acute case management, including recommended assessments, rehabilitation and other services/strategies.
Faculty:
Dr. LaVecchia is a senior level clinician with over 45 years experience in the field of clinical neuropsychology, rehabilitation, and neurobehavioral treatment. From 1985-2013, Dr. LaVecchia held the position of Chief Neuropsychologist for the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, and in that capacity was instrumental in the development of clinically-informed, community-based services for individuals living with acquired brain injury, including the Massachusetts Statewide Head Injury Program (SHIP), the first publicly-funded agency in the United States, established to meet the needs of persons who have sustained traumatic brain injury and their families. With respect to her faculty appointments, Dr. LaVecchia served as Assistant Professor of Anatomy and Cellular Biology at Tufts University School of Medicine, where she was a member of the medical neurosciences teaching faculty for 25 years. Since 1983, she has also served as an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Boston University School of Medicine, where she is a member of the Behavioral Neuroscience doctoral program core faculty.

Who should attend?
Audiologists, Case Managers, Certified Brain Injury Specialists, Certified Brain Injury Trainers, Family Counselors, Mental Health Clinicians, Neuropsychologists, Nurses, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Psychologists, Rehabilitation Counselors, Social Workers, Speech-Language Pathologists, and Program Directors/Managers of residential, day and other programs that serve persons with ABI.

Continuing Education Credits:
- Questions about this beginning level continuing education program (APA) and Continuing Education Credits: Please reach out to BIA-MA Education and Program Coordinator Laura MacFeeley at education@biama.org.
- Grievance Policy: Commonwealth Educational Seminars (CES) seeks to ensure equitable treatment of every person and to make every attempt to resolve grievances in a fair manner. Please submit a written grievance to Laura MacFeeley at education@biama.org or 508-475-0032. Grievances will receive, to the best of our ability, corrective action in order to prevent further problems.
- Accommodations for the Differently Abled: University of Massachusetts Medical School training facilities are handicap accessible. Individuals needing special accommodations please contact Laura MacFeeley at education@biama.org or 508-475-0032.
- It is the participant’s responsibility to check with their individual state boards to verify Continuing Education Credit requirements for their state.
- Continuing Education Credit is pending for 13 CEs through Commonwealth Educational Seminars for the following professions:
  - **Psychologists**: Commonwealth Educational Seminars is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. Commonwealth Educational Seminars maintains responsibility for these programs and their content.
  - **Social Workers**: Commonwealth Educational Seminars (CES) is entitled to award continuing education credit for Social Workers. Please visit CES CE CREDIT to see all states that are covered for Social Workers. CES maintains responsibility for this program and its content.
  - **Nurses**: As an American Psychological Association (APA) approved provider, CES programs are accepted by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). These courses can be utilized by nurses to renew their certification and will be accepted by the ANCC. Every state Board of Nursing accepts ANCC approved programs except California and Iowa, however CES is also an approved Continuing Education provider by the California Board of Registered Nursing (Provider # CEP15567) which is also accepted by the Iowa Board of Nursing.
  - **Licensed Mental Health Counselors (LMHC)**: Commonwealth Educational Seminars (CES) is entitled to award continuing education credit for Licensed Professional Counselors/Licensed Mental Health Counselors. Please visit CES CE CREDIT to see all states that are covered for LPCs/LMHCs. CES maintains responsibility for this program and its content.
  - **Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists**: This ABI Clinical Course is offered for 1.3 ASHA CEUs (Beginning Level, Professional Area).
- For detailed information on continuing education credits, speaker’s financial and nonfinancial relationships, and two-day agenda, visit www.biama.org/abitraining.