Cognitive-Communication Disorders Following Acquired Brain Injury

Date & Time: February 26, 2020, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (starting promptly)
Registration starts at 8:00 a.m.

Cost: $250 BIA-MA Members, $275 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

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

Faculty: Therese M. O’Neil-Pirozzi, ScD, CCC-SLP

Description of Training:
This course will focus on evidence-supported evaluation and treatment of adults with mild, moderate, and severe acquired brain injury. Particular emphasis will be placed on attention, memory, executive functions, language, and the potential for post-injury neuroplasticity.

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

1. Describe potential for post-injury neuroplasticity following acquired brain injury (ABI).
2. List common types of cognitive-communicative disorders associated with mild, moderate, and severe ABI.
3. Explain recommended rehabilitation approaches, strategies, and techniques to evaluate and treat attention, memory, executive functions, and language deficits associated with mild, moderate, and severe ABI.

Faculty:
Dr. O’Neil-Pirozzi is an Associate Professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at Northeastern University. She is also research faculty in the Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital/Harvard Medical School Traumatic Brain Injury Model System. Dr. O’Neil-Pirozzi is a skilled and experienced rehabilitation clinician and researcher who has worked with individuals with
neurological disorders for more than 20 years. She is the author/co-author of numerous peer-reviewed publications, spanning a broad range of topic areas regarding the assessment and treatment of cognitive-communication impairments, including homeopathic treatment of mild traumatic brain injury and cognitive-behavioral orthotics, as well as cross-cultural caregiver and survivor responses to brain injury. Dr. O’Neil-Pirozzi is a long-time collaborator/partner of the Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts.

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 intermediate 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 5 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.
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  • Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists: This ABI Clinical Course is offered for 0.5 ASHA CEUs (Intermediate Level, Professional Area).
• For detailed information on continuing education credits, speaker’s financial and nonfinancial relationships, and agenda, visit www.biama.org/abitraining.