



# Acquired Brain Injury Clinical Continuing Education Series Substance Abuse

## Substance Abuse and Acquired Brain Injury (ABI)

- Date & Time:** December 1, 2017, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Cost:** \$250 BIA-MA Members, \$275 Non-members
- Register:** Go to [www.biama.org/abitaining](http://www.biama.org/abitaining)
- Venue:** UMASS Medical School Campus  
Amphitheater - 4th Floor  
333 South Street  
Shrewsbury, MA 01545
- Faculty:** Francis R. Sparadeo, Ph.D.

### Summary:

In this one-day training the clinical criteria for substance abuse disorders and their relationship to the occurrence of acquired brain injury, as well as their neurocognitive impact, will be reviewed and discussed. Participants will learn recommended approaches for recognizing, assessing and treating persons who present with the combined challenges of ABI and substance abuse, including misuse/overuse of prescribed and OTC medications (e.g., analgesics).

### Learning Objectives:

1. List the clinical criteria for substance abuse disorders, including misuse/overuse of prescribed and OTC medications.
2. Describe the relationship of substance abuse to the occurrence of ABI.
3. Describe the recommended approaches and procedures for assessing individuals with ABI and substance abuse.
4. State the impact of commonly abused substances on cognitive function.
5. Describe the recommended approaches and treatment models for the combined problem of ABI and substance abuse, including pain management.



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## Faculty:

**Dr. Sparadeo** is a nationally-recognized expert regarding the neuropsychology of addiction, who served as Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Brown University School of Medicine for 18 years, and previously held the position of Director of Rehabilitation Psychology at Rhode Island Hospital (1981-1988). Dr. Sparadeo has also served as President of the Brain Injury Association of Rhode Island; Chairman of the Governor's Permanent Advisory Commission on Traumatic Brain Injury; and consultant to the United States Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and Massachusetts Statewide Head Injury Program. Dr. Sparadeo is currently an instructor at Salve Regina University, where he teaches substance abuse rehabilitation and psychopharmacology in the Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Counseling. He also serves as Director of Research for Calmar Pain Relief Center; Director of a specialty program for assessment and treatment of chronic pain and addiction at the Meadows Edge Recovery Center; and Clinical Program Development Director for the Center for Community Independence, serving individuals who have sustained a traumatic brain injury.

## Who should attend?

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

## Continuing Education Credits:

- Commonwealth Educational Seminars provides CE's (in part) for the following clinical fields: Licensed Mental Health Counselors (LMHC), Nurses, Psychologists, Social Workers. These professions will receive **6.5 CE hours** for this course.
- Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists: This ABI Certificate is offered for **0.65 ASHA CEs** (Intermediate Level, Related Area).
- For detailed information on continuing education credit, including the speaker's financial and non-financial relationships, visit [www.biama.org/abitraining](http://www.biama.org/abitraining).

