



# ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY

## Clinical Continuing Education Series

### Problematic Sexual Behavior and Acquired Brain Injury

**Date & Time:** Tuesday, April 23, 2019, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Check-In begins at 8:00 a.m.

**Cost:** \$250 BIA-MA Members, \$275 Non-members

**Venue:** UMASS Medical School Campus  
Amphitheater - 4th Floor  
333 South Street  
Shrewsbury, MA 01545

**Faculty:** Laurie Guidry, Psy.D. and Francesca LaVecchia, Ph.D.

#### Description of Training:

This training will provide participants with an overview of the continuum, neurological correlates, and clinical presentation of problematic sexual behavior (PSB) disorders, as well as the challenges experienced by individuals who exhibit co-morbid issues of acquired brain injury. Recommended approaches for assessment and treatment of PSB and other behaviors which place individuals and others at risk, as well as the responsibilities and requirements of the SORB (Sex Offender Registry Board) and implications for community-based programs serving individuals with PSB will be reviewed and discussed.

#### Faculty:

**Dr. Laurie Guidry, Psy.D.** is a licensed clinical and forensic psychologist specializing in the effective assessment, treatment and risk management of individuals who perpetrate sexual violence, the treatment of sexual abuse and the prevention and elimination of sexual violence. Dr. Guidry is the Past President of the Massachusetts Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (MATSA) and Chair of MATSA's Public Policy Committee. She is active in efforts to inform public policy on rational, evidence-based, and comprehensive approaches to maximizing public safety through the effective treatment and management of sex offenders. Dr. Guidry previously served (2000-2011) as the Statewide Program Director of the Mentally Ill/Problematic Sexual Behavior (MI/PSB) program



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for the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health, and has also provided specialized consultation to other human services agencies serving individuals who present with the challenging co-morbid issues of PSB and acquired brain injury, developmental disability, and chronic mental illness.

**Dr. LaVecchia** is a senior level clinician with over 40 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?

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

## Continuing Education Units:

- 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.
- For detailed information on continuing education credit, visit [www.biama.org/abitraining](http://www.biama.org/abitraining).