

# Brain Injury Association of Missouri

## 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL STATEWIDE CONFERENCE

October 7 - 9, 2021  
**MARRIOTT ST. LOUIS WEST**  
Chesterfield, Missouri

### WELCOME



The Mission of the Brain Injury Association of Missouri (BIA-MO) is to reduce the incidence of brain injury; to promote acceptance, independence and productivity of persons with brain injury; and to support their families, caregivers and the community.

This Mission is accomplished through programs of education, support, recreation and advocacy. Educational programs are offered for professionals, survivors of brain injury and their families, as well as the community.

Support is offered through Information and Referral Services, support groups, programming and more.

Recreational activities include the Donald Danforth Jr. Wilderness Camp, which is a weeklong organized outdoor activity for adults who have survived a brain injury. Additional activities include holiday celebrations, sporting games, picnics, theater shows and other social events.

Advocacy efforts focus on the prevention of brain injuries and access to services for persons living with brain injury.

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### 2021 Conference Overview

The Brain Injury Association of Missouri 17th Annual Statewide Conference features national and regional experts sharing current research, cutting-edge therapeutic strategies, and best practice treatment. This is the only conference in Missouri established to specifically address issues relating to brain injury.

This Conference is the premier educational opportunity for healthcare, rehabilitation, vocational, residential, and community support professionals. They will gain knowledge and further develop skills in providing care for individuals who have sustained a brain injury.

Sessions held on Thursday, October 7 and Friday, October 8 will be of most interest to professionals who work on a regular or periodic basis with survivors of brain injury.

These professional sessions will focus on rehabilitation, medical care, mental health, relationships, community involvement and personal care for survivors of brain injury in rural and urban communities. This education for professionals can lead to enhanced opportunities for survivors of mild, moderate or severe brain injuries to live a quality life.

On Saturday, October 9, information will be most applicable to persons with brain injury and their families. This BIA-MO Survivor and Family Seminar offers practical suggestions for life with brain injury and is free-of-charge for survivors and their families.

Saturday, October 9 will also feature the Awards Luncheon and Annual Meeting.

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