



NEBRASKA BRAIN INJURY CONFERENCE

The Brain Injury Alliance of Nebraska is requesting speaker proposals for the 2024 Nebraska Brain Injury Conference.

About the Event

The 2024 Nebraska Brain Injury Conference is an annual event hosted by the Brain Injury Alliance of Nebraska that brings together professionals working in the field of brain injury as well as individuals living with a brain injury and their caregivers to foster connections and unique learning opportunities in the brain injury community.

The 2024 event is planned to be held at the Younes Conference Center (South) located in Kearney, Nebraska on March 14 and 15, 2024. The conference lasts approximately a day and a half (on Thursday and Friday).

Themes and Topics of Interest

- Research and Innovations in the field of Acquired Brain Injury
- Precision Medicine and Brain Injury
- Assistive Technology for Brain Injury (Apps, programs, devices, practical demonstrations, etc.)
- Advocacy and Legislation
- Educational Supports for Brain Injury (all levels - elementary through post-secondary)
- Brain Injury Treatment and Rehabilitation Theories, Methodologies, or Strategies
- Mental Health and Self Care
- Veteran-Specific Treatments, Programs, Research, or Care/Case Management Strategies
- Behavioral Health Methodologies
- Lived Experience with Brain Injury (Inspirational stories from individuals living with a brain injury)
- Epilepsy and Brain Injury
- Insurance / Medicaid, Disability Waivers, and Other Financial Resources
- Headache and Concussion Management
- Substance Abuse and Brain Injury
- Pharmaceuticals and Brain Injury (Proper Management of Medications, Accompanying Factors, etc.)
- Returning to Work after a Brain Injury (ADA Compliance, Accommodations, etc.)

Call for Speakers
Submissions Due: July 12, 2023



Speaker Benefits

Beyond showcasing your research and expertise, you will have the opportunity to connect with a broad audience of professionals, organizations, and individuals living with a brain injury that stand to benefit from their expertise.

Additional benefits include:

Free event registration with the option for a complimentary exhibitor table.

Continuing education contact hours through our partner, Iowa Western Community College, for attending the conference.

Presentation experience to add to your resume/CV.

Helpful Details About the Event

Audience(s):

Professionals working with brain injury

- Therapy professions (Physical, occupational, recreational, speech-language pathology, and mental health)
- Nurses
- Teachers / Educational Professionals
- Behavioral Health Specialists
- Neurologists
- Neuropsychologists
- Chiropractors
- Non-profit leaders and community service providers
- Insurance specialists
- Social workers
- State agencies
- Community-based programs working with individuals at higher risk for brain injury
 - Veterans
 - Individuals experiencing homelessness
 - Victims/survivors of domestic and intimate partner violence
 - Justice-involved individuals
 - Individuals exhibiting behavioral health issues

Individuals living with a brain injury

Caregivers/family members of individuals living with a brain injury

Length of Presentation:

You will have 60 minutes total for your presentation and any questions and answers following your main content.

Presentation format:

All sessions and presentations are planned to be held in-person, unless otherwise communicated by the event coordinator.

About the Brain Injury Alliance of Nebraska

Brain injuries impact multiple areas of a person's life such as cognition, memory, balance, emotional stability, relationships, and more. Currently, few community-based resources and supports are available to people living with a brain injury.

The Brain Injury Alliance of Nebraska exists to help bring about meaningful system change to provide a better future for individuals affected by a brain injury through prevention, education, advocacy, and support efforts.

As part of the work we do, we strive to build community support networks that help individuals and families across the state navigate life changes resulting from a brain injury. The Annual Nebraska Brain Injury Conference helps build those connections and networks not only between professionals and organizations, but also with individuals affected by a brain injury who are at varying stages in their journeys.

Proposal Requirements

Submissions Due Date & How to Submit:

July 12, 2023

Click the button at the bottom of the page or visit <https://form.jotform.com/231006155645045> and complete the JotForm.

What We'll Need from You:

Speaker Information

- Contact Information (Name, Organization, Job Title, Phone Number, Email, etc.)
- Social Media Handles (for advertising/promotional purposes)
- Whether you are presenting on behalf of your organization or as an individual
- Resume or Curriculum Vitae
- Brief Bio of Yourself (3 -5 sentences)
- Co-presenters and how to reach them.
- Video links to previous presentations (if possible)
- Considerations/requirements on your end (fees, contracts, accommodations, etc.)

Presentation Information

- Presentation Type (workshop/practical demonstration, panel discussion, standard presentation)
- Presentation Title
- Primary Content Theme/Area(s)
- Brief Presentation Description/Abstract (no more than 2 paragraphs)
- Intended Audience/Experience Level
- Key Objectives/Takeaways (minimum of three)
- Information about what materials, if any, will/can be shared with the audience
- Technology/setup needs
- Whether you have published anything on this topic or presented it at other events

Final Considerations

We ask that (where possible) presentation content be tailored to be easily understood by a general audience as we will have both professionals and individuals with a brain injury (or their caregivers) present in many of the sessions at the event.

Please consider innovative ideas, and approaches that provide new ways of thinking about an old issue or current trends in the topic areas. We prefer presentations that do not focus on a specific product. Such a focus is more appropriate for an exhibitor booth.

Our ideal speaker is one who is willing to partner with us to create the best experience possible for our attendees.

Selection Process

Submissions will be reviewed by Brain Injury Alliance of Nebraska staff members and a committee comprised of professional and individual/caregiver attendees from prior conferences between July and September. You will be notified regarding your acceptance or our regrets.

Questions? Contact:

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