This multidisciplinary conference will address issues commonly faced by survivors of brain injury and their family members, along with established and emerging interventions and practices. Sessions will address advocacy, advances in pharmacotherapy treatment strategies - what’s working, conventional and alternative medical treatments, rehabilitation, state and community resources, and communicating effectively after brain injury featuring speakers such as Dr. Nathan Zasler. This year will be the second annual sessions for indigenous peoples gatherings on brain injury featuring speakers such as the internationally respected specialist in brain injury care and rehabilitation Dr. Ron Savage, Pediatric Neuropsychologist, of the Mohawk tribe and Skyhawk, a Cherokee flute musician.

Two Day Indigenous Peoples Planning and Training Gathering

Alta Bruce, ND, and Marlene Davis, WA, will conduct a two day session that will include discussion on how to identify and implement change in behaviors implementing changes. The 1st meeting of the National Indigenous People’s Brain Injury Association Board including Dr. Ron Savage, from the Mohawk tribe.

Highlights:

- Improving Traumatic Brain Injury Outcomes Through Research And Development-Stem Cell Research
- Panel- Impact Of The War In Iraq On The Number Of Cases Of Traumatic Brain Injury
- Return To Work - Job Issues And Latest Techniques On Job Training; Maintaining Employment
- 3rd Annual National Indigenous Peoples Brain Injury Planning Gathering - Working Together
- Community Based Rehabilitation Following Traumatic Brain Injury
- Life Care Planning For Neurological Injuries - (How To Help Providers Understand And Think About The Big Picture)
- National Research On Pediatric TBI And Returning To School
- Best Clinical Practices In Rehab Using Email - Teach Em
- Tele-Health Idaho/TBI Virtual Grand Rounds - Including Poster Presentation
- Neuropsychiatry Of Traumatic Brain Injury
- Panel: Male Versus Female Relatives' Coping After Traumatic Brain Injury - Is There A Difference - Male Vs Female - Observations From Professionals - What Works And What Doesn't
- Dr. Nathan Zasler: Advances in Pharmacotherapy Treatment Strategies Following ABI
- Concerns And Anticipated Challenges Of Family Caregivers Following BI
- Therapeutic Recreational Activities - Therapeutic Riding - The Role Of Art Therapy In Rehabilitation – Music And Brain Injury
- Family Care And Adjustment - Panel –The Experiences Of Couples: Carol Snider Moderator
- Panel - Multiple Family Groups- Couples Where A Member Has A Brain Injury-Survivors And Family Members- Married After BI - With Couple Who Talked At PRA-4 Couples-Male W/TBI, Female W/TBI, Both W/TBI
- Interventions For Cognitive Impairment - Compensating For Impairments In Memory And Executive Functions: How Can We Maximize The Effectiveness Of External Aids And Adaptive Devices?
- The Use of Complementary & Alternative Medicine In TBI
- Computerized Memory Rehabilitation Programs For Persons With Traumatic Brain Injury: - Brain Train
- Management Of Sexuality
- Memories Relived: Creating Memory Books-A Family Activity
- Meet the Authors/Musicians — Conversations And Book/CD Signing

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"Living with Brain Injury: Creating a New Life" is the theme for the 3rd Annual Pacific Northwest Brain Injury Conference. The conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel Portland Airport Friday and Saturday, September 30 & October 1, 2005. It is sponsored by the Brain Injury Association of Oregon.

Invited are a broad group of participants from the western states and British Columbia. Friday’s program will be targeted to professionals, voc rehab, service providers, advocates and government agency case staff. Saturday’s program will add a community track targeting survivors and family members, social workers, case managers and advocates.

**Participant Educational Objectives**

At the completion of the conference, participants will be able to:

- Implement strategies designed to significantly reduce brain injury-related mortality and morbidity in all communities.
- Summarize recent brain injury-related research with corresponding practical application.
- Identify clinical management practices, specifically new prevention, diagnosis, and treatment guidelines.
- Describe public health interventions to reduce the impact of brain injury among different types of racial and ethnic populations and settings (e.g., school, workplace, community).
- Analyze past brain injury-related interventions and weigh their value in today’s world.
- Implement health communication strategies and know how to more effectively reach target populations and raise awareness.
- Summarize brain injury data, including mortality, morbidity, and risk factor prevalence.
- Create networking opportunities and build partnerships with key brain injury researchers, clinicians, and prevention professionals.

**Speakers Include:**

- **Dr. Nathan Zasler**, MD, is an internationally respected specialist in brain injury care and rehabilitation; medical director of the Concussion Care Centre of Virginia, Ltd. and is involved with several brain injury rehabilitation programs in the Richmond, Virginia area, including Tree of Life, LLC, a living assistance program for persons with ABI.

- **PJ Long**, author of *Gifts from the Broken Jar*, was a psychotherapist in private practice, an adjunct college professor, and a consultant, when she sustained a TBI from an equestrian accident. She holds dual masters degrees, one in interpersonal communication and a second in psychology.

- **Dr. Ron Savage**, a national authority and published author with over 30 years experience working with children and youths with traumatic brain injuries and neurological disorders. He has directed inpatient rehabilitation programs, post acute services and special education programs.

- **Geoffrey M. Lauer**, MS, National Director of Affiliate Relations, Brain Injury Association of America.

- **Alta Bruce**, Founder, Indigenous People’s Brain Injury Association, IPBIA, Injury Prevention Specialist, Indian Health Service, ND.


- **Alan Weintraub, MD**, Medical Director of the Brain Injury Treatment Team and Medical Director of the TBI Model Systems Grant Program, Craig Hospital, Denver.

- **David Clemons, PhD, UW** - Return to Work - Job Issues and Latest techniques on job training

- **Russ Spearman**, Project Director, Idaho TBI Implementation Grant, Idaho State University, Institute of Rural Health- Tele-health Idaho/TBI Virtual Grand Rounds.

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