



# ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY

## Clinical Continuing Education Series

### Functional Neuroanatomy Review

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, December 5, 2018, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

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

**Register:** [www.biama.org/abitraining](http://www.biama.org/abitraining)

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

**Faculty:** Francesca LaVecchia, Ph.D.

#### Description of Training:

This one-day continuing education program will provide participants with a review of the structures and functions of the central nervous system (CNS), including the cerebral hemispheres and subcortical structures (brain stem and spinal cord). The organization of the motor, sensory, vascular and ventricular systems within the CNS will also be presented and discussed. Participants will also learn the basic neuropathology of CNS lesions and the common associated functional sequelae, related to both congenital and acquired disorders.

#### Faculty:

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.



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## 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 6.5 CEs (in part) for the following clinical fields: Licensed Mental Health Counselors (LMHC), Nurses, Psychologists, Social Workers.
- Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists: This ABI Clinical Course is offered for .65 ASHA CEUs (Intermediate Level, Professional Area).
- Detailed information on continuing education credits, including the speaker's financial and non-financial relationships, will be posted to [www.biama.org/abitraining](http://www.biama.org/abitraining) when available.



Franciscan Children's is approved by the Continuing Education Board of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) to provide continuing education activities in speech-language pathology and audiology. **See course information for number of ASHA CEUs, instructional level and content area.** ASHA CE Provider approval does not imply endorsement of course content, specific products or clinical procedures.

## About BIA-MA:

The Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts (BIA-MA) is a private non-profit organization that strives to create a better future for all those affected by brain injury. The purpose of the organization is to educate the public on the risk and impact of brain injury, promote programs to prevent those injuries, advocate for improved legislation, and to offer support and resources to persons with brain injuries and their families.