



# ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY

## Clinical Continuing Education Series

### Substance Abuse and Acquired Brain Injury (ABI)

**Date & Time:** Wednesday, November 7, 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:** Francis R. Sparadeo, Ph.D.

#### Description of Training:

In this one-day training the clinical criteria for substance abuse disorders and their relationship to the occurrence of acquired brain injury, as well as their neurocognitive impact, will be reviewed and discussed. Participants will be able to illustrate the recommended approaches for recognizing, assessing and treating persons who present with the combined challenges of ABI and substance abuse. Participants will also be able to identify the misuse/overuse of prescribed and OTC medications (e.g., analgesics).

#### Faculty:

Dr. Sparadeo is a nationally-recognized expert regarding the neuropsychology of addiction, who served as Clinical Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Brown University School of Medicine for 18 years, and previously held the position of Director of Rehabilitation Psychology at Rhode Island Hospital (1981-1988). Dr. Sparadeo has also served as President of the Brain Injury Association of Rhode Island; Chairman of the Governor's Permanent Advisory Commission on Traumatic Brain Injury; and consultant to the United States Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and Massachusetts Statewide Head Injury Program. Dr. Sparadeo is currently an instructor at Salve Regina University, where he teaches substance abuse rehabilitation and psychopharmacology in the Graduate Program in Rehabilitation Counseling. He also serves as Director of Research for Calmar Pain Relief Center; Director of a specialty program for assessment and treatment of chronic pain and addiction at the Meadows Edge Recovery Center; and Clinical Program Development Director for the Center for Community Independence, serving individuals who have sustained a traumatic brain injury.



Sponsored by the Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts

## 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, Related 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.