



ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY

Clinical Continuing Education Series

Acquired Brain Injury Certificate Training

Date & Time: February 3 & 10, 2022, 8:30 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. (starting promptly)

Cost of program:

Early Bird thru December 31: \$400 BIA-MA Members, \$440 Non-members

Regular Pricing: \$500 BIA-MA Members, \$550 Non-members

Bulk Rates:

Available for organizations sending 10 or more people. Contact education@biama.org
Bulk Rate Pricing 10 - 19 (25% discount) \$375 BIA-MA Members, \$412.50 Non-members
Bulk Rate Pricing 20+ (30% discount) \$350 BIA-MA Members, \$385 Non-members

Cancellations: Participant cancellations 14 calendar days or less prior to program will incur a 30% administrative fee deducted from refund. Cancellations within 7 calendar days and absentees, no refunds. Event cancellations eligible for full refund.

Registration: Online at www.biama.org/abiprograms

Venue: Live Webinar via ZOOM

Faculty: Francesca LaVecchia, Ph.D.

Clinical Consultant, Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts, Westborough, Massachusetts

Agenda: The agenda for this two-day training is posted on www.biama.org/abiprograms

This activity offers CE credit for:

1. Nurses (ANCC)
2. Psychologists (APA)
3. Social Workers (ASWB)
4. Audiologists/Speech-Language Pathologists (ASHA CEUs)
5. Case Managers (CCMC Application Submitted)
6. Licensed Mental Health Counselors (MaMHCA Application Submitted)

All participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance.

Description of Training: This two-day continuing education program is designed to provide participants with a comprehensive overview of the major categories of acquired brain injury (ABI), including neoplastic, traumatic, vascular, metabolic and infectious disorders of the central nervous system. Epidemiology, factors affecting outcome, and the potential long-term consequences, focusing on neurobehavioral, neurocognitive and sensorimotor sequelae, will be reviewed.



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Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this two-day training, program participants will be able to:

1. List the structural and functional components of the brain and other central nervous system (CNS) structures.
2. Describe the epidemiology and the major categories of acquired brain injury (ABI), including brain tumors, traumatic brain injury, vascular, toxic, metabolic and infectious disorders.
3. List the factors which influence outcome, with respect to the various types of ABI.
4. Identify and describe the common neurocognitive, sensorimotor, neurobehavioral/neuropsychiatric, and other consequences of ABI, and the correlation of these disorders with the type of ABI, severity, and site(s) of injury within the brain.
5. Describe the principles of post-acute case management, including recommended assessments, rehabilitation, and other services/strategies.

Faculty Bio: Dr. LaVecchia is a senior-level clinician with over 48 years experience in the field of clinical neuropsychology and has held clinical supervisory positions within the continuum of programs, serving adults and children with both acquired and congenital neurological conditions, including acute trauma care, interdisciplinary rehabilitation, neurobehavioral/psychiatric treatment, and community-based, post-acute care. From 1985 to 2013, Dr. LaVecchia served as Chief Neuropsychologist for the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC). In that capacity she was instrumental in the development of clinically informed, community-based services for individuals 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 injuries and their families. Currently, Dr. LaVecchia is a clinical consultant to the Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts.

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. She is an Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at Boston University School of Medicine, where she was a member of the Core Faculty of the Behavioral Neuroscience doctoral program (1983-2020).

Grievance Policy: BIA-MA seeks to ensure equitable treatment of every person and to make every attempt to resolve grievances in a fair manner. Please submit a written grievance to education@biama.org or call 508-475-0032. Grievances will receive, to the best of our ability, corrective action to prevent further problems.

Accommodations for the Differently Able: Individuals needing special accommodations please contact education@biama.org or call 508-475-0032.

Target Audience: Audiologists, Case Managers, Certified Brain Injury Specialists, Certified Brain Injury Trainers, Family Counselors, Mental Health Clinicians, Neuropsychologists, Nurses, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Psychologists, Rehabilitation Counselors, Social Workers, Speech/Language Pathologists, and Program Directors/Managers of residential, day and other programs that serve persons with ABI.

Continuing Education Credits:

- **Satisfactory Completion Requirement** – A certificate of completion will be available digitally after paid registration, active attendance at the complete presentation, and submission of completed evaluation. (For CME CEs: credit request forms and activity evaluations must be completed online and require free account activation. Participants can then print their certificate or statement of credit immediately. CME website supports all browsers except Internet Explorer for Mac. For complete CME technical requirements and privacy policy, visit <https://www.cmeoutfitters.com/privacy-and-confidentiality-policy>.)
- It is the participants' responsibility to check with their individual state boards to verify Continuing Education credit requirements for their state and licensure.
- **Nurses:** In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by CME Outfitters, LLC and the Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts. CME Outfitters, LLC is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.



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This activity is designated for 14 nursing contact hours.

- **Psychologists:** Continuing Education (CE) credits for psychologists are provided through the co-sponsorship of the American Psychological Association (APA) Office of Continuing Education in Psychology (CEP). The APA CEP Office maintains responsibility for the content of the programs. CME Outfitters, LLC designates this live activity for a maximum of 14 contact hours. APA Instructional level of this activity: Introductory.



- **Social Workers:** As a Jointly Accredited Organization, CME Outfitters, LLC is approved to offer social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. Organizations, not individual courses, are approved under this program. State and provincial regulatory boards have the final authority to determine whether an individual course may be accepted for continuing education credit. CME Outfitters, LLC maintains responsibility for this course. Social workers completing this course receive 14 Live continuing education credits.



- **Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists:** This ABI Clinical Course is offered for 1.4 ASHA CEUs (Introductory Level, Professional Area).



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.

- **Case Managers:** Application has been submitted for Case Managers through The Commission for Case Manager Certification to provide 14.0 continuing education credits to CCMC Board Certified Case Managers (CCMs).



- **Licensed Mental Health Counselors (LMHC):** Application for MaMHCA continuing education credits for LMHC has been submitted. Please contact education@biama.org or call 508-475-0032 for the status of LMHC CE certification.

For detailed information on continuing education credits, speaker financial and non-financial relationships, and agenda, visit www.biama.org/abiprograms