

The Midwest Advocacy Project **2011 Application for Participation**

All sessions are held on Saturdays at a hotel in Madison, WI.

Session Schedule:
9AM to 3PM

September 17, 2011
October 15, 2011
October 29, 2011
November 12, 2011

Please send this completed application to:

Brain Injury Association of Wisconsin
Attn: Mark Warhus
21100 W; Capitol Dr. Ste.5
Pewaukee, WI 53072
Fax: 262-790-9670

Application deadline is July 15, 2011
Applicants will be notified by August 15, 2011

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Please note: The information requested on this application is for the purpose of selecting individuals who meet the criteria for participation in the Midwest Advocacy Project. You are not required to provide this information, but it will assist us in our decision-making process. The list of names and addresses of graduates that is prepared for each class is taken from applications and considered public data under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act. This list may be requested and will be released upon request.

Please note: This research study is only for Wisconsin applicants who sustained a traumatic brain injury (TBI), not brain injury resulting from a stroke, tumor, anoxic injury, aneurysm, or other type of non-traumatic injury to the head/brain.

A traumatic brain injury (TBI) is caused by a blow or jolt to the head or a penetrating head injury that disrupts the normal function of the brain. Not all blows or jolts to the head result in a TBI. The severity may range from mild (i.e.. a brief change in mental status or consciousness), to severe (i.e. an extended period of unconsciousness or amnesia after the injury).

(Please Print)

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Primary Phone: (____) _____ Alternative phone:(____) _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

1) To qualify for this research study you must have sustained a traumatic brain injury (TBI) at least one year ago, or be the family member or significant other of this person.

a) Are you a person with traumatic brain injury? Yes No

b) Are you a family member of a person with traumatic brain injury? Yes No

What is your relationship to the person with traumatic brain injury? _____

a) How long have you or your loved one been living with a TBI? _____

b) How did you or your loved sustain your/their traumatic brain injury? _____

4) To qualify for this research study you must be at least 18 years old. Do you confirm that you are at least 18 years of age? Yes No

5) To qualify for this research study you must be able to participate in a group meeting, that is, demonstrate physical, cognitive, communication, and behavioral skills conducive to participating with others in a group process for several hours at a time. Do you confirm your ability to participate in a group meeting? Yes No

6) To qualify for this research study, attendance is required at each of the sessions. Will you commit to make the time for each of the four sessions between September 2011 and November 2011? Yes No

7) Have you participated in any of the Brain Injury Association Midwest Advocacy Project programs in the past? Yes No

8) What would be helpful for other people to know about you? _____

9) What accommodations, if any, would you need to participate? (Wheelchair access, interpreter services, large print etc.) _____

10) Would you be using your personal care attendant during the sessions? *Yes No
*Please note that the Midwest Advocacy Project does not provide PCA services for the sessions.

11) Tell us why it is important to you to participate in the Midwest Advocacy Project: _____

13) How did you learn about this research project?

Mailing Website Provider Other _____

Personal Information (optional):

Gender: Male Female Age: _____

Race: Caucasian African/American Asian Pacific Hispanic American Indian Other _____

Educational level: Some High School High school grad GED
 Some College College grad Professional/Grad School Other _____

Please contact Brenda Jackson with any questions regarding this research project, by phone at 262-790-9660 or 800-882-9282; or email at bjackson@biaw.org

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Pewaukee, WI 53072

Or apply online on the Brain Injury Association of Wisconsin's website:
www.biaw.org , click on Advocacy, then in Midwest Advocacy Project Recruiting for 2011..

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