



People living in states with systems of care for brain injury have better long-term outcomes and quality of life.

About NASHIA:

For over 35 years, NASHIA has and continues to support people with brain injury by ensuring they have access to services regardless of where they live.

NASHIA partners with states, the federal government, other technical assistance providers, corporations, and foundations to develop and implement model state systems of care for people with brain injury. These models include:



Screening



**Referral to
Services**



Training

Brain Injury's Impact

- 2.5 Million People Annually Impacted
- 200 People Die Daily
- A Leading Cause of Death and Disability
- High Prevalence of Brain Injury in Certain Settings and Populations:

Mental and Behavioral Health Challenges	Substance Use Disorder	Criminal Legal System Involvement
Intimate Partner Violence	Housing Instability	Child Welfare Involvement
Older Adult Falls	Military Service	Public Safety Officer Service

NASHIA aims to enhance service delivery, improve outcomes, and foster greater collaboration across systems to better support individuals with brain injury.

Our Highlighted Programs



NASHIA's Online Brain Injury Screening and Support System (OBISSS) is a comprehensive and validated subscription service that utilizes the standardized and validated OSU TBI-Identification Method and the Symptoms Questionnaire for Brain Injury (SQBI). Upon completion, the System collects demographic information, identifies a potential history of brain injury, and detects if challenges related to brain injury exist.

Tip sheets addressing identified challenges are then provided to both the individual and their respective provider. Additionally, OBISSS offers customized referral information to connect participants with appropriate resources and supports. OBISSS allows individuals to self-administer the screening online, in partnership with a provider, making it easily accessible across various settings. The System is accessible and accommodating to individuals age 10 and up.

NASHIA's Leading Practices Academy (LPA) on Brain Injury focuses on four key areas: child welfare, interpersonal violence, the criminal legal system, and housing insecurity. Participants will receive strategic, customized technical assistance from NASHIA staff, with support tailored to their specific goals, whether they're creating new initiatives, implementing practices, or evaluating outcomes. The one-year program includes goal development, work plan creation, logistical support, peer learning opportunities, and access to subject matter experts, along with regular meetings, academies, and an end-of-year summit.



Our Services

Expert Systems Creation for Brain Injury Services:

Collaborate with national and state leaders and service users to create effective best-practice solutions and manage projects to drive lasting impact.

Resource Development:

Create and disseminate resources, including Best Practice Guides, and offer technical assistance for implementation.

Strategic Support:

Provide expert guidance to states on a variety of topics, including Advisory Boards, program evaluation, service coordination, policy, and more to strengthen state and community systems.

Leading Collaborator:

Hosts Innovation Days to bring together stakeholders, foster collaboration, and share best practices.

Comprehensive Training for Professionals and Providers:

Ensures those interacting with people with brain injury receive training on brain-injury informed practices.

Systems Coordination:

Works to integrate brain injury support into initiatives across a wide-variety of state systems.