



McLaren Neurologic Rehabilitation Institute

For individuals who sustain a brain injury early access to comprehensive care is important. Fortunately, the McLaren Neurologic Rehabilitation Institute (MNRI) program and staff is highly qualified to help brain injury patients and their family members with these life changing conditions. MNRI is a comprehensive therapy program that is one of a kind in Genesee County. In 2010 several staff members became nationally Certified Brain Injury Specialists through the Academy of Certified Brain Injury Specialists, Brain Injury Association of America.

MNRI provides comprehensive specialized outpatient services to help individuals overcome disabilities associated with neurological conditions such as CVA, Brain Injury, Parkinson's, Spinal Cord Injury and other conditions. The team consists of Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy, Recreation Therapy, Social Work and Neuropsychology. With their specialized training, skills and experience they address individuals who experience difficulty with swallowing, speech, thinking, mobility, balance, visual perception, daily living skills, driving, support, emotional adjustment to injury, leisure skills and other issues. The program also has a Neuropsychologist on staff who works with patients to understand and cope when their brain injuries are affecting their behavior.

MNRI co-hosts the Brain Injury Association's Flint chapter support group the fourth Thursday of every month from 6-8 p.m. and Social Worker, Margaret Moody Ulmer also provides a weekly support group for patients of MNRI.



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Here are some eye opening facts about brain injury

- A traumatic brain injury (TBI) is a blow, jolt or bump to the head or a penetrating head injury that disrupts the normal function of the brain.
- 1.7 million people, including 475,000 children, sustain a TBI in the U.S. each year. 3.1 million individuals live with life-long disability as a result of TBI.
- 52,000 people will die. 275,000 people will be hospitalized. 1.365 million people will be treated and released from an emergency department.
- TBIs are caused by falls (35%); car crashes (17%); workplace accidents (16%), assaults (10%), and other (21%).

Since anyone can sustain a brain injury at any time, it is important for everyone to have access to comprehensive rehabilitation and ongoing disease management. Doing so eases medical complications, permanent disability, family dysfunction, job loss, homelessness, impoverishment, medical indigence, suicide and involvement with the criminal or juvenile justice system. Access to early, comprehensive treatment for brain injury also alleviates the burden of long term care that is transferred to tax payers at the federal, state and local levels." Dr. Brent Masel, National Medical Director for the Brain Injury Association of America.



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