



**Brain Injury
Alliance**

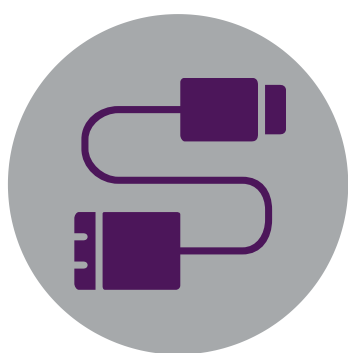
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CRIMINAL JUSTICE & BRAIN INJURY

Enhancing the path to better outcomes

WHY SCREEN FOR BRAIN INJURY?

Screening for brain injury is a best practice when serving Iowans with multi-occurring conditions.



ADDRESSING LIFETIME HISTORY OF BRAIN INJURY

BIAIA's Neuro Resource Facilitation team can provide support to people with brain injury, professionals, family members, and other chosen caregivers.

EDUCATION AROUND BRAIN INJURY

Understanding brain injury and the common challenges may increase participation and enhance outcomes in service and treatment plans.



SUPPORT FOR THE INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM

Brain injury supports and services are often a missing puzzle piece for adults experiencing concerns with the criminal justice system.

The Underrecognized Relationship

An estimated 5.3 million people nationwide live with TBI-related disability



Symptoms of brain injury are **not always immediately evident** and the general public has **limited knowledge** about the diagnosis.

Brain injuries may cause an increased susceptibility to a multitude of barriers in a person's life, including **difficulties overcoming incarceration, re-entering the community, and maintaining a life in the community.**

60%

of individuals in the offender population have experienced a TBI versus an 8.5% prevalence rate in the general population

42-49%



of inmates across the nation met criteria for **both a mental health & substance use disorder**. Some research shows that over **70%** of individuals who experience a serious mental illness or substance use disorder **have had one TBI.**

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