

Closing the Gaps: Brain Injury in Our Communities – Spring 2026 Workshop

Friday, May 29, 2026

Empower House, 2720 W Locust St., Suite 9B, Davenport, IA 52804

9:00 am – 9:15 am - Welcome & Introductions

9:15 am – 9:45 am - “Brain Injury 101: The Seen and Unseen Impacts”

- Presenter: Mickey Owens, OTR/L, Member Outreach Coordinator, Empower House

9:45 am – 10:15 am - “When Behavior is Communication: Responding to Brain Injury”

- Presenters: Allison Andrews, MHA, CBIST, Project Director, Brain Injury Association of Iowa, and Mickey Owens, OTR/L, Member Outreach Coordinator, Empower House

10:15 am – 11:00 am - “Small Changes, Big Impact: Supporting Success After Brain Injury with Strategies You Can Use Tomorrow”

- Presenter: Missey Heinrichs, MS, CCC/SLP, Executive Director, Empower House

11:00 am – 11:30 am - “Real Life, Real Barriers: Community Challenges After Brain Injury”

- Presenter: Allison Andrews, MHA, CBIST, Project Director, Brain Injury Association of Iowa

11:30 am – 12:00 pm - “Your Turn: Questions, Insights, and Next Steps”

- Presenters: You!

12:00 pm -1:00 pm - Lunch in the Dining Room

- Sit and mingle with other attendees and incoming afternoon attendees, or grab and go!



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12:00 pm – 1:00 pm - Lunch in the Dining Room

- Sit and mingle with other attendees and outgoing morning attendees!

1:00 pm – 1:15 pm - Welcome & Introductions

1:15 pm – 1:45 pm - “Brain Injury 101: The Seen and Unseen Impacts”

- Presenter: Mickey Owens, OTR/L, Member Outreach Coordinator, Empower House

1:45 pm – 2:15 pm - “When Behavior is Communication: Responding to Brain Injury”

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2:15 pm – 3:00 pm - “Small Changes, Big Impact: Supporting Success After Brain Injury with Strategies You Can Use Tomorrow”

- Presenter: Missey Heinrichs, MS, CCC/SLP, Executive Director, Empower House

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm - “Real Life, Real Barriers: Community Challenges After Brain Injury”

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3:30 pm – 4:00 pm - “Your Turn: Questions, Insights, and Next Steps”

- Presenters: You!

