
Congressional Briefing

The Silent Epidemic in America - Brain Injury and Domestic Violence

Wednesday, October 25, 2017
10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Congressional Meeting Room North - Capitol Visitor Center (CVC-268)

sponsored by:

The Congressional Brain Injury Task Force and Cong. Gwen Moore

In recognition of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Congressional Brain Injury Task Force, co-chaired by Cong. Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D-NJ) and Cong. Tom Rooney (R-FL), and Cong. Gwen Moore (D-WI) are hosting the briefing "The Silent Epidemic in America - Brain Injury and Domestic Violence" on October 25, 2017, from 10:00 am -- 11:00 am in the Congressional Meeting Room North in Capitol Visitor Center (CVC-268). The Briefing is being held in collaboration with the Brain Injury Association of America (BIAA), National Association of State Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA), and the United States Brain Injury Alliance (USBIA).

Over recent years, there has been remarkable progress in increasing awareness and research, as well as improving prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of traumatic brain injury (TBI). In addition to further exploring the correlation between brain injury and domestic violence, the purpose of this Briefing is to raise awareness about the prevalence of TBI as the result of domestic violence and specific challenges domestic violence survivors face when receiving a diagnosis and accessing necessary supports and services to aid in recovery. The briefing, "The Silent Epidemic in America - Brain Injury and Domestic Violence" will explore these issues further.

The Briefing panel:

- **Moderator, Susan H. Connors**, President and CEO of the Brain Injury Association of America
- **Javier Cárdenas, M.D.**, Director, Barrow Concussion and Brain Injury Center
- **Pam Hallman**, Domestic Violence and TBI Survivor
• **Valerie Maholmes, Ph.D.**, Chief, Pediatric Trauma and Critical Illness Branch at the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (invited)
• **Anne McDonnell**, Executive Director, Brain Injury Association of Virginia

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The National Association of State Head Injury Administrators

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