

THE VOICE OF BRAIN INJURY

Join the Congressional Brain Injury Task Force!

A Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) is an alteration in the brain function or other evidence of brain pathology caused by an external force. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimate 2.5 million children and adults sustain TBI's annually and at least 5.3 million live with a TBI related disability. The cost to society for medical care and lost wages associated with TBI is \$76.3 billion annually.

Brain injury is not an event or an outcome. It is the start of a misdiagnosed, misunderstood, under-funded neurological disease. People who sustain brain injuries must have timely access to expert trauma care, specialized rehabilitation, lifelong disease management, and individualized services and supports in order to live healthy, independent, and satisfying lives.

Join the fight against TBI by joining the Congressional Brain Injury Task Force. Co-chaired by Reps. Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D-N.J.) and Thomas J. Rooney (R-Fla.), the mission of the Congressional Brain Injury Task Force is to further education and awareness of brain injury (incidence, prevalence, prevention, and treatment) and support funding for basic and applied research on brain injury rehabilitation and development of a cure. The task force serves as a clearinghouse of information for Congress and the public. It promotes full funding for the TBI Act and other brain injury research programs, and provides guidance to federal agencies on policies and proposed rulemakings.

PLEASE JOIN

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