



The **FIRST ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE** *on*
Culture, Ethnicity & Brain Injury Rehabilitation

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Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, Virginia

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Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Traumatic Brain Injury Model System, Brain Injury Services, Inc., National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, International Brain Injury Association, VCU Center for Health Care Disparities, The Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Community Integration with TBI at TIRR Memorial Hermann, and Henry H. Kessler Foundation

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Brain injury (BI) has reached epidemic proportions in many parts of the world, including developing countries. Researchers report that many survivors have difficulty returning to normal lives. High rates of neurobehavioral difficulties, cognitive impairment, physical limitations, and unemployment have been reported by international researchers. Immigration and globalization have contributed to diversity. Rehabilitation providers often struggle to effectively serve survivors and family members who speak different languages and who come from very different cultures.

With 35 faculty representing at least 11 countries, this unique conference brings together leading brain injury rehabilitation experts from around the world to present data, share strategies and promote translational research. A full spectrum of topics relating to the neurobehavioral, cognitive, functional, vocational, psychosocial, family and medical aspects of rehabilitation will be addressed via lectures, workshops, panel presentations, and posters. Sessions will also focus on health care disparities, successfully conducting research with multi-ethnic populations, and meeting the clinical care needs of diverse patient populations.

**CONFERENCE
GOALS**

- 1** To advance the state of science by identifying, analyzing, and synthesizing evidence-based research on outcome and treatment following brain injury in multi-cultural settings.
- 2** To improve clinical skills, systems of care, and outcomes by helping clinicians provide better service to diverse patient populations.
- 3** To increase brain injury research capacity by improving researchers' knowledge of specialized designs, methodologies, and recruitment methods relevant to the study of culture and ethnicity.

Who Should Attend

Multidisciplinary rehabilitation providers who serve both inpatients and outpatients with brain injury and other neurological disorders. **Continuing education credits** will be awarded for the following disciplines: Rehabilitation Counselor (CRC), Case Managers (CCM), Social Workers (NASW), Psychology (Virginia CEUs).

Conference Site: Crystal Gateway Marriott, Arlington, Virginia

(1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202) Just minutes from Reagan National Airport and the heart of our nation's capitol, this luxurious hotel is located in the vibrant Crystal City district, an area complete with world-class shopping and dining. The Washington D.C. Metro area is easily reached via direct hotel access to the area's metro rail system.

Registration Fees

The cost to attend the conference is \$245 for two days or \$160 for a single day.

Accommodations

Lodging: Our conference site, the stunning Crystal Gateway Marriott, is offering discounted room rates of \$209.00/night. Rooms at this rate are limited, so reservations must be made *prior to February 19, 2009*. For more information, call 703-920-3230 or visit www.crystalgatewaymarriott.com.

Transportation Options to Crystal Gateway Marriott

For more detailed information, please visit www.tbiconferences.org.

By Air: There are three airports within close proximity to Arlington, Virginia

Ronald Reagan Washington National - DCA: Distance: 1 mile

Washington, DC/Dulles - IAD: Distance: 28 miles

Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport - BWI: Distance: 55 miles

By Train: Amtrak and metrorail.

By Car: From NY/North: Take I-95 to I-495/I-95 S towards Richmond until you cross the Woodrow Wilson Bridge. Take 2nd Exit Rte 1 N. Follow Rte 1 to 20th Street. Turn left, go to 1st light and turn right on S. Eads. Hotel is 1.5 blocks on right. **From Richmond/South:** Take 395 N to Exit 8C, Crystal City. Left onto Army Navy Dr. Right on S. Eads. The hotel is 3 blocks on the left.

Exhibitors and Sponsors

Exhibitors will have the opportunity to meet an international group of professionals as well as well-known faculty from 11 countries around the world.

For More Information visit www.tbiconferences.org or contact Juan Carlos Arango-Lasprilla, Ph.D. at Jcarangolasp@vcu.edu or 804-827-8797.

Agenda Thursday, March 12, 2009

7:15 AM REGISTRATION, EXHIBITS & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 AM INTRODUCTION TO CONFERENCE
(Juan Carlos Arango-Lasprilla, Ph.D. USA)

PLENARY PRESENTATIONS: Meeting the Clinical Needs of Culturally Diverse Clients

8:20 AM Perspectives of TBI through a multicultural lens
(Caron Gan, RN, MScN, AAMFT. Canada)

8:50 AM Brain injury rehabilitation with the Asian patient: Principles of effective collaboration
(Tony M. Wong, Ph.D. USA)

9:20 AM Traumatic brain injury in the Muslim community: Addressing an underserved population through partnerships
(Rooshey Hasnain, Ed.D. USA)

9:50 AM BREAK & EXHIBITS

10:20 AM Latinos with TBI: Discerning injury from class and cultural issues
(Fabricio Balcazar, Ph.D. USA)

10:50 AM Rehabilitation services to African Americans with brain injury
(Allen Lewis, Ph.D. USA)

11:20 AM Rehabilitation of individuals with brain injury in India
(Madan Kundu, Ph.D. USA)

11:50 AM LUNCH (provided) & EXHIBITS

1:10 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Health Care and Outcome Disparities

- Ethnic disparities in acute and rehabilitation care following traumatic brain injury
(Carlos Marquez de la Plata, Ph.D. USA)
- Functional and psychosocial racial outcome disparities after traumatic brain injury
(Juan Carlos Arango-Lasprilla, Ph.D. USA)
- Strategies to reduce outcome disparities for minority group members
(Paola Premuda, Ph.D. USA)

Neurobehavioral Intervention

- Cross-cultural interventions for emotional & behavioral problems
(Tedd Judd, Ph.D. USA)
- Chinese medicine as neurobehavioral intervention
(Agnes Chan, Ph.D. China)
- Post-acute neurobehavioral intervention
(Rodger Wood, Ph.D. United Kingdom)

Rehabilitation Outcomes and Community Integration

- Considering culture and ethnicity in rehabilitation outcomes measurement
(Allen Heinemann, Ph.D. USA.)
- What is community integration anyway? Creating meaning for diverse populations
(Angelle Sander, Ph.D. USA.)
- Pharmacogenetics and cultural diversity in TBI
(Nathan Zasler, M.D. USA)

2:50 PM BREAK & EXHIBITS

3:10 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Teaching Cultural Competency

- Teaching cultural competency in the 21st century
(Allen Lewis, Ph.D. USA)
- A conceptual framework for cultural competence training and evaluation
(Fabricio Balcazar, Ph.D. USA)
- Promoting cultural competency with the Asian patient/client: Challenges and recommendations
(Tony M. Wong, Ph.D. USA)

Neuropsychological Assessment

- Neuropsychological assessment of Chinese people with brain injury
(Tatia Lee, Ph.D. China)
- Considering complex variables during neuropsychological assessment of Hispanics
(Antolin M. Llorente, Ph.D. USA)
- Neuropsychological instruments developed for Spanish-speakers or translated tests: There may be a difference.
(Carlos Marquez de la Plata, Ph.D. USA)

Acute Care and Inpatient Rehabilitation

- Multicultural issues that impact acute neuro-rehabilitation care
(Jay Uomoto, Ph.D. USA)
- Minority persons benefit from culturally appropriate neurobehavioral interventions
(Janet Niemeier, Ph.D. USA)
- Acute care traumatic brain injury research in a multi-cultural hospital
(Claudia Robertson, Ph.D. USA)

5:00 – 6:30 PM

POSTERS, EXHIBITS & RECEPTION

Agenda Friday, March 13, 2009

7:15 AM REGISTRATION, EXHIBITS & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 AM INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLENARY PRESENTATIONS: Family Systems and Intervention

8:15 AM The Bouverie Centre ABI Model: A family and culturally sensitive approach (*Nella Charles, MCLinPsych, GradDipFamTher Australia*)

8:35 AM ABI Family to Family Link Up: When culture and ethnicity matter (*Franca Buter Prinzi, GradDipFamTher, MFamTher. Australia*)

8:55 AM Family needs and psychosocial outcomes of Spanish speaking individuals with TBI (*Juan Carlos Arango-Lasprilla, Ph.D. USA*)

9:35 AM BREAK & EXHIBITS

10:05 AM Ethno cultural framework for culturally competent rehabilitation practice (*Caron Gan, RN, MScN, AAMFT, Canada*)

10:45 AM Caregiver distress, ethnicity, and outcomes (*Jeffrey Kreutzer, Ph.D. USA*)

11:25 AM Panel Discussion

LUNCH (on your own)

11:50 AM International Research Collaboration Meeting (optional)

PLENARY PRESENTATIONS: Systems of Care

1:05 PM Rehabilitation of TBI: the system of care in Spain. (*Jose Leon Carrion, Ph.D., Spain*)

1:35 PM The US Traumatic Brain Injury Model Systems: Rehabilitation and outcomes (*John D. Corrigan, Ph.D. USA*)

2:00 PM Systems of brain injury rehabilitation care in Argentina and Latin America (*Walter Videtta, M.D. Argentina*)

2:25 PM Rehabilitation of brain injury in the United Kingdom (*Rodger Wood, Ph.D. United Kingdom*)

2:50 PM System of care for patients with TBI in México (*Yulia Solovieva, Ph.D. Mexico*)

3:15 PM BREAK & EXHIBITS

3:35 PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Research, Recruitment, and Biostatistical Methods

- Engagement, recruitment, and retention of traditionally underrepresented groups in brain injury research (*Felicia Hill-Briggs, Ph.D. USA*)
- Tips for maintaining diverse populations in survey research and clinical trials (*Angelle Sander, Ph.D. USA*)
- TBI Model Systems National Database: Special issues with minority participants (*Cindy Harrison-Felix, Ph.D. USA*)

Cognitive Remediation and Rehabilitation

- New behavioral approaches to improve learning and memory following brain injury (*John DeLuca, Ph.D. USA*)
- Culturally relevant and functional-oriented cognitive rehabilitation (*Jay Uomoto, Ph.D. USA*)
- Cognitive rehabilitation to improve learning and memory in Spanish speaking Individuals with TBI (*Maria Cristina Quijano, M.S. Colombia*)

Vocational Evaluation and Rehabilitation

- Culturally sensitive vocational rehabilitation services for people with TBI (*Fong Chan, Ph.D. USA*)
- Return to work and job stability among persons with neurotrauma: The role of race/ethnicity (*Juan Carlos Arango-Lasprilla, Ph.D. USA*)
- Long-term employment outcomes among African Americans with TBI (*Kelli Williams, Ph.D. USA*)

05:00 PM FINISH

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Registration Fee (check one):

Attending Thursday and Friday = \$245.00 (USD)

Attending Thursday, March 12 only = \$160.00 (USD)

Attending Friday, March 13 only = \$160.00 (USD)



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