

**Beyond Rehab:
Succeeding at** *Life*
A conference on brain injury

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**Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview - Wichita
400 West Douglas Avenue
Wichita, KS 67202**

Friday, November 18, 2022

Presented by:



**BRAIN INJURY
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About the Conference

The Brain Injury Association of Kansas and Greater Kansas City is pleased to present our 14th annual *Beyond Rehab: Succeeding at Life- A Conference on Brain Injury – Fall 2022* for professionals working with those who have experienced brain injury.

Conference Objectives

- Identify safe and ethical behavioral strategies for managing patient behavior
- Identify research-based benefits of adaptive gaming following brain injury
- Gain insight on touch exercises that can be used to rebuild confidence and communication following medical trauma

Who Should Attend?

Any professional who works with people who have brain injury, or who is interested in brain injury. Sessions will be of interest to a range of rehabilitation professionals including physical therapists, nurses, occupational therapists, speech language pathologists, social workers, cognitive rehabilitation therapists, case managers, life care planners, vocational rehabilitation specialists, neuropsychologists, counselors, mental health professionals, physicians, special education teachers, and others who serve individuals with brain injuries and their families.

Current trends, research and therapy techniques will be discussed, including personal stories from survivors. Vendors representing a wide range of services, equipment and products will be available.

Conference Materials

Participants are encouraged to use the mobile app, available 2 weeks before the conference, to view presentations.

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Keynote Speaker



Shawn Curtis, PsyD, M.A., M.S.C.J.

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Shawn Curtis, Psy.D., M.A., M.S.C.J. has been involved with de-escalation and crisis intervention for twenty years. He is a licensed psychologist currently employed as the Neuropsychologist for Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, Lincoln's acute rehabilitation TBI and stroke units. He obtained his doctorate degree from Antioch University in Seattle, Washington, and also holds master's degrees in psychology from Antioch University and criminal justice from Boston University. Before coming to work at Madonna, he was employed with the Developmental Disabilities Division of Nebraska DHHS and was the clinical lead for the Western Nebraska Crisis Intervention Team and Crisis Stabilization Unit at Beatrice State Developmental Center. Dr. Curtis has had additional experience in a variety of inpatient psychiatric settings including the Forensics Unit at Western State Hospital in Lakewood, Washington. Prior to pursuing his career in psychology, he worked in law enforcement as a police officer, crime scene investigator, and crisis intervention officer. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.



Continuing Education

Nurses

Pending approval from CMSA-KC, approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Kansas State Board of Nursing, approved provider number: LT 0206-0606.

Occupational Therapists

This program is approved by KOTA for 7.0 Class 1 contact hours.

Physical Therapists

Pending approval from Kansas PTA

Social Workers

Pending approval from National Association of Social Workers

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Please note, all attendees are required to sign attendance rosters each day. Nurses must sign in both morning and afternoon.



Conference Location & Lodging

All conference activities will be held at the Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview - Wichita 400 West Douglas Avenue, Wichita, KS 67202.

A block of hotel rooms for conference attendees have been reserved for November 17 – November 19. These rooms have a reduced rate of \$114/night. To guarantee the rate, please make your reservations by **October 28**.

Reservations may be made by calling 1-800-325-0720; refer to group number 10020432. You may also register online at:

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- Free 5:30 Kickback®* - Join us from 5:30–7 p.m. every evening to enjoy free hot food and cold beverages at our 5:30 Kickback®. We feature a rotating menu of hot food, beer, wine, mixed drinks and soft drinks.
- Free Wi-Fi Throughout the Hotel - Get the score, check your social networks or email family members from anywhere in the hotel – for free!
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*Service of alcohol is subject to state and local law.



Conference Registration

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Early Registration-Postmarked by November 8:

Fee: _____ \$175

Postmarked after November 8:

Fee: _____ \$190

Student discount: _____ \$100

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Brain Injury Association of Kansas and Greater Kansas City
6701 W. 64th St., Suite 120
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Call 913-754-8883, x2 for more information.

Special Accommodations:

Check here if you will need special accommodation. You will be contacted regarding your needs. Additional fees may apply.



Conference Agenda

Friday, November 18, 2022

Breakfast, Lunch and Snacks Provided

- 7:45-8:30** **Registration/Browse Exhibits/Breakfast**
- 8:15-8:30** **Welcome, Opening Remarks and Introductions**
Robin Abramowitz, Executive Director, BIAKS
Vickey Bartel, President, Board of Directors, BIAKS
- 8:30-9:30** **Navigating Sexuality Following Medical Crisis**
Kimberly Wallace-Young, PhD, Healing Like Wildflowers
- 9:30-11:00** **Behavioral Planning in an Inpatient Rehab Setting**
Shawn Curtis, PsyD, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital
- 11:00-11:15** **Break/Browse Exhibits/Network**
- 11:15-12:15** **Ready. Set. Game**
Haleigh Fancher, OTR/L, Ability KC
- 12:15-1:15** **Lunch/Survivor Perspective/Browse Exhibits**
Dave Anderson
- 1:15-2:15** **Superior Outcomes with Interdisciplinary Team Approach to Therapy**
Kim Combs, , OTR/L, CLT, Hutchinson Regional Medical Center
Lindsey Henry, MA, CCC-SLP, Hutchinson Regional Medical Center
Robbie O'Brien-Leighton, MD, Hutchinson Regional Medical Center
Kari Thiessen, PT, DPT, CBIS, CDIN, NCS, Hutchinson Regional Medical Center
- 2:15-3:15** **Current Concepts in Concussion Testing and Rehabilitation**
Cody Barnett, PT, Bodyworx Physical Therapy & Concussion Center
Damien Hiser, PT, DPT, Bodyworx Physical Therapy & Concussion Center
- 3:15-3:30** **Break/Door Prizes**
- 3:30-4:30** **TBI, Vision and the Visual Brain**
Patrick Pirotte, OD, FCOVD, Diplomate ABO, Child and Family Optometry/Eyecare
- 4:30-4:45** **Concluding Remarks/CEU Certificates**



Faculty and Disclosures

Dave Anderson

Dave Anderson has been married to his high school sweetheart, Terri for 43 years and they have two married daughters and three grandchildren. He is a man of strong faith and many talents; master electrician (specializing in motor control design and installation and home automation), electrical inspector for Sedgwick County, professional percussionist and singer, computer build and repair hobbyist, bad "dad joke" humorist and the list goes on and on. But on June 28th, 2020, this man changed forever. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.

Cody Barnett, PT

Cody Barnett has been helping people overcome pain and injury since 1991, when he graduated with honors from Wichita State University. Developer of the AIM Patient Treatment Method, he has taught courses at the collegiate level in anatomy, orthopedics, and rehabilitation, and is a contributing writer to Active.com and MDNews. He has performed isokinetic strength testing at the NFL Combine. A leader for over 30 years in treating runners and foot pain, he specializes in helping people overcome back and neck pain, knee, hip, and shoulder injury, as well as concussion recovery. A past president of the Kansas River Valley Triathlon Club, Cody stays active with running, cycling, pickleball, and paddleboarding. The most memorable moments of his career have been seeing his patients achieve something they didn't think was previously possible. Watching patients take up a new sport or hobby, returning to fun activities again such as kayaking or gardening, or running with the Olympic torch are all highlights that make his day and keep him looking forward to each new client he sees. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.



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Kim Combs, OTR/L, CLT

Kim Combs is an Occupational Therapist at Hutchinson Regional Medical Center. She is a graduate from the University of Kansas Medical Center Master of Occupational Therapy Program in 2006. Throughout the years she has worked in a variety of settings including Inpatient Rehab, Skilled Nursing, and Home Health services. Currently, she is working in the Acute Inpatient Rehab setting and is skilled in providing treatment for a variety of diagnoses. Working in a multidisciplinary approach she helps each patient return to their highest level of independence with a goal of returning to their home environment. Kim is also a Certified Lymphedema Therapist and has years of experience with wheelchair positioning and fitting as well. She is passionate about holistic care, neuro rehabilitation and early mobility. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.

Shawn Curtis, Psy.D., M.A., M.S.C.J.

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Haleigh Fancher, MOT, OTR/L

Haleigh Fancher is an occupational therapist in the ACCT Program at Ability KC who specializes in assistive technology tools for adapted access to digital technology, communication devices, and adaptive gaming. Haleigh attended Texas Tech University for a degree in Kinesiology and minor in Psychology, graduating in 2018. She then returned home to attend the University of Missouri. She graduated in 2020 with her Master's in Occupational Therapy. She has worked in skilled and pediatric settings before joining Ability KC in March 2021. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.

Lindsey Henry, MA, CCC-SLP

Lindsey Henry is a speech language pathologist at Hutchison Regional Medical Center. Lindsey has received her Master of Arts in speech language pathology from University of Colorado Boulder. She is certified in VitalStim and Lee Silverman Voice Therapy. Lindsey has been practicing for 15 years and began her career in skilled nursing and in outpatient care specializing in neurorehabilitation. It was at this outpatient facility where Lindsey first learned about multidisciplinary care as she worked alongside neuropsychologists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, counselors, music therapists, and neurologists. Since this job, Lindsey has carried what she learned about the importance of interdisciplinary care through each subsequent job she has had. Lindsey is passionate about helping patients reach their highest potential, educating families about patient care and achieving the best outcomes possible. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.



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Damien Hiser, PT, DPT

Damien is a graduate of Wichita State University's Doctor of Physical Therapy program, where he was named the Outstanding Orthopedic and Sports Physical Therapy Student. Dr. Damien also earned a bachelor's degree at Friends University where he competed on the track and cross-country teams, earning All-Conference Honors. Dr. Damien is an avid runner and hiker, continually competing in numerous local road races as well as having summited ten 14,000+ft mountains in Colorado. Dr. Damien is a Wichita native, and he loves serving those in the Wichita community suffering from pain and injury. Dr. Damien is currently furthering his clinical knowledge and expertise by pursuing a manual therapy fellowship through the prestigious Manual Therapy Institute to better solve the problems that patients face due to injury and pain. (Less than 1% of all physical therapists earn this fellowship distinction!) In addition, Dr. Damien is a specialist in helping people overcome chronic, persistent pain without the need for unnecessary surgery or injections. Dr. Damien specializes in keeping people mobile, active, and off pain pills. His greatest joy is bringing positive change to people's lives as they return to the activities they love, such as exercise, playing with the kids, going on trips, and living amazing lives. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.

Robbie O'Brien-Leighton, M.D.

Dr. Robbie O'Brien-Leighton is a graduate of University of Kansas School of Medicine. She is a Board-Certified Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation physician and completed her Residency in 2007 at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas, Texas. Upon completion of residency, she joined a multi-specialty group and practiced in the outpatient setting with a focus on spasticity management, musculoskeletal medicine and electrodiagnostic medicine. Dr. O'Brien-Leighton also has experience with intrathecal baclofen pump management and administering botulinum toxin injections for spasticity. Since 2014 she has been the Medical Director of the Inpatient Rehab Unit at Hutchinson Regional Medical Center focusing solely on inpatient care. She is passionate about a team approach and increasing patient functional independence. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.



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Patrick Pirotte, OD, FCOVD, Diplomate ABO

Dr. Pirotte is an optometrist because he suffered from numerous vision deficits as a child. Included in these problems were crossed eyes, a lazy eye, headaches, double vision, and eventually, being forced to leave college due to being overwhelmed with the reading requirements. Dr. Pirotte subsequently changed his major to Music, Piano Performance and after a pioneer woman's treatment of his visual system, was able to return to school to do his premedical requirements. The reason for his vocation is to alleviate visual symptoms and suffering and the treatment of brain injured patients has become integral to his practice. He served for 25 years on the staff at Wesley rehab hospital and has personally seen thousands of TBI patients. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.

Kari Thiessen, PT, DPT, CBIS, CDIN, NC

Kari Thiessen is a board-certified clinical specialist in neurology through the American Board of Physical Therapy Specialties, as well as a brain injury specialist through the Brain Injury Association of America. She has been practicing for 5 years and has been a part of Hutchinson's in-patient rehabilitation team for 4 of those years. She is also certified in dry needling and trained in cupping, which she utilizes frequently on the rehab unit. Kari has always been a big proponent of interdisciplinary care, studying the effect of interprofessional education during her research practicum while in PT school at KU Medical Center and publishing a paper entitled 'Where is the Team?' in the journal of Health, Interprofessional Practice & Education with her sister, a clinical pharmacist practicing at the University of Arkansas Medical Center. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.

Kimberly A. Wallace-Young, PhD

Kim started her college career at Olivet Nazarene University then completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Iowa and doctorate at the University of Missouri – Kansas City. In 2004, Kim started her formal training as a sex therapist. For the majority of her career, she worked at the University of Kansas Health System (starting in 2002). She continues to partner with the KU providers and work very closely with local acupuncturists, pelvic floor physical therapists and trauma therapists to provide care that attends to the whole person. Kim provides education in the form of lectures to medical student and professionals as well as providing local and national talks related to many sexual and gender topics. She has also created and hosted a sexuality conference at The University of Kansas School of Medicine. Kim's hobbies include photography, gardening, vacations that include a bit of adrenaline, baking, being a sports spectator for several family members, and spending time with family and friends. No relevant financial or nonfinancial relationship exists.



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