

Second Annual Life After Brain Injury: A Seminar for Survivors, Families, and Healthcare Professionals

Saturday, August 24, 2024 - 8:30 am – 3:15 pm

Fort Hays State University -- Memorial Union Black and Gold Room
600 Park Street--Hays, KS 67601

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Global Objectives:

At the end of this conference attendees will be able to:

- ✓ Increase awareness of brain injury and its consequences.
- ✓ Identify services available to individuals with a brain injury residing in the community.
- ✓ Provide education on continuum of care across the spectrum of services – from injury to lifelong management.
- ✓ Enhance communication between healthcare professionals, the patient, and the family.
- ✓ Provide information and support for people with brain injuries, their relatives, caregivers and concerned healthcare professionals.
- ✓ Discuss resources that promote lifelong improvement following a brain injury from both formal and informal supports.

Target Audience:

- **Survivor and Family Track Target Audience:**
 - Survivors of brain injury, families, and others
- **Healthcare Professional Track Target Audience:**
 - APRNs, Nurses, Social Workers (working with brain injury patients), PTs/PTAs, OTs/OTAs, SLPs, Psychologists and other interested allied health professionals.

Seminar Location & Lodging:

The seminar is hosted by Fort Hays State University Department of Social Work.

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600 Park Street--Hays, KS 67601

Parking Instructions: <https://www.fhsu.edu/union/parking/>

Lodging:

There are nearby hotels for overnight accommodation.

Hilton Garden Inn Hays

221 W 43rd St, Hays, KS 67601

785-727-7721

Best Western Plus Butterfield Inn

1010 E 41st St, Hays, KS 67601

(785) 621-4337

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Hays

4650 Roth Ave, Hays, KS 67601

(785) 625-8000

Conference Registration

➤ Cost:

- \$10 per person for survivors and family members
- \$50 per person for students (*CEUs not offered at this rate*)
- \$100 for healthcare professionals (*CEUs offered*)

➤ Registration:

- To register, visit: www.eeds.com/live/836980
- Registration/Cancellation Deadline: August 16th, 2024
- For assistance with registration, call the KU Area Health Education Center at (785) 628-6128

➤ Cancellation Policy:

A healthcare registrant may cancel no later than August 16th, 2024, to receive a refund minus a \$15 administrative fee. After that no refunds will be made. The registration fee will not be transferred to future offerings. KU Medical Center AHEC and BIAKS reserve the right to cancel this program and return all fees in the event of insufficient registrations. KU Medical Center AHEC and BIAKS will not be responsible for any losses incurred by registrants, including but not limited to airline cancellation charges or hotel deposits.

Agenda

- 8:30-9:00** **Registration**
- 9:00-9:15** **Welcome-Housekeeping-AHEC**
- 9:15-10:00** **Continuum of care – Options from Clinical Liaison**
Melissa Quintero, MSN, CEN, RN
- 10:00-10:15** **Break – Exhibitors in Stouffer Lounge**
- 10:15-11:00** **Breakouts**
- **Professional Track Breakout:**
 - **Everyday Communication Following a Brain Injury**
Kiedra Hickert, MS, CCC-SLP
 - **Survivor & Caregiver Breakout:**
 - **Relationship Dynamics**
Terri Kern, MSW
- 11:10-11:55** **Transition to Home from a Facility**
Jamie McEachern, BS
- 12:00-12:55** **Lunch**
- 1:00-1:55** **Breakouts**
- **Professional Track Breakout:**
 - **Medication Treatment for Post-Brain Injury Psychiatric Symptoms**
Mark Romereim, MD
 - **Survivor & Caregiver Breakout:**
 - **Don't Stop Now: Hitting goals years after TBI**
Laura Moore, BS
- 2:00-2:15** **Break – Exhibitors in Stouffer Lounge**
- 2:15-3:05** **Resource Panel Discussion**
- “Services available to assist after the brain injury and how to access the services”*
- **J.D. Kemp, MSED, CBT – Moderator**
 - **Laura Denny, BA – LINK**
 - **Tammy Gerhardt, BS – NorthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging**
 - **Melissa Quintero, MSN, CEN, RN – MaDonna Rehab Hospital**
 - **Keidra Hickert, MS, CCC-SLP – FHSU Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders**
 - **Jamie McEachern, BS – Assistive Technology Department of Northwest KS Educational Service Center**
- 3:05-3:15** **Closing**

Continuing Education Accreditation

Note: We utilize Eeds™ (Electronic Education Documentation System) program management software which allows participants to document their attendance, complete the offering evaluation, and obtain a certificate in one location. **Participants must verify attendance online through 'eeds' & complete the online evaluation within the timeframe noted to receive continuing education credit.**

Accreditation Statement:



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INTERPROFESSIONAL CONTINUING EDUCATION

In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by University of Kansas Medical Center and Brain Injury Association of Kansas & Greater KC. University of Kansas Medical Center is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

Credits Available for this Activity:



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IPCE: This activity was planned by and for the healthcare team, and learners will receive 4.25 Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) credits for learning and change.

Nurses (APRNs/RNs): The University of Kansas Medical Center designates this activity for a maximum of 4.25 ANCC contact hours. Nurses should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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Attendance Requirement: Continuing education credit will be issued according to documented attendance. Presentations must be attended in their entirety to claim credit.

All other attendees: Will receive a certificate of attendance.

Seminar Faculty



Melissa Quintero, MSN, CEN, RN

Melissa Quintero is a RN Development Coordinator with Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals in Lincoln and Omaha, Nebraska. She has 13 years of experience as a registered nurse in the areas of Emergency Medicine, Trauma, Pediatric Emergency Medicine, and Neurological Rehab. As the Catastrophic Nurse Liaison for Kansas and all National/International referrals, Melissa is tasked with patient evaluation, patient/family community, and facilitating transition to the post-acute care setting. She obtained her MSN in Executive Nursing in 2013 from Research College of Nursing and is a Certified Emergency Nurse. She is fluent in English and Spanish and enjoys connecting with others to provide guidance and education during their time of need. Melissa is involved in several nursing and rehabilitation organizations and councils and enjoys spending time with her family in her free time.

Melissa Quintero, MSN, CEN, RN receives a salary from Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals. She reports no relevant non-financial relationships.



Jamie McEachern, BS

As the Coordinator for Western Assistive Technology for Kansans, Jamie McEachern has found a good place to have an active role in her lifelong belief of "Be the source or help find the source." Being at ATK has allowed her a full resource of items that will assist people when they are in need. Whether the assistive technology is high-tech or low-tech there is a lot of options and ATK and the State wide Loan closet can help you look through at options, try them, and see what works for you. Jamie and the group at Western ATK cover from Ellis County up and from Ness Couty down and then to the Colorado border. There are 4 other locations in Kansas too, so we are here to help no matter where you are located.

Jamie McEachern, BS receives a salary from Assistive Technology Department of Northwest KS Educational Service Center. She reports no relevant non-financial relationships.



Laura Moore, BS

Laura Moore is a public safety advocate and traumatic brain injury survivor. She enjoys working with people through public speaking, training and motivation. Laura is a graduate of Kansas State University with a bachelor's degree in Family Studies and Human Service. She is currently working at the Kansas Department of Health & Environment in substance use prevention. Laura is a fan of books and live music, runs half marathons and prides herself on her hobby flower gardens. She and her husband, also a K-State grad, have two boys and they all enjoy time outside running, riding bikes, camping, swimming the pond or lake and fishing.

Laura Moore, BS receives a salary from Kansas Department of Health & Environment. She reports no relevant non-financial relationships.



Mark Romereim, MD

Dr. Romereim graduated from the University of Kansas School of Medicine in 1991 and completed a residency in Psychiatry at UKSM-Wichita in 1995. He has worked in a variety of settings since then, including hospital-based practices, community mental health centers, private practice, residency faculty, and for the past 13 years at High Plains Mental Health Center, serving as Medical Director since 2020. He has worked with individuals with brain injuries from a variety of causes, including sports, auto accidents, assaults, surgeries and soldiers exposed to improvised explosive devices.

Dr. Romereim receives a salary from High Plains Mental Health Center. He receives honorarium payments as part of a Speakers Bureau for Supernus. He previously served as an Advisory Committee Member of Otsuka and received a consulting fee.



Kiedra Hickert, MS, CCC-SLP

Kiedra Hickert has been a medical speech-language pathologist for over 17 years. She has gained experience working in a variety of settings, including skilled nursing facilities, rehabilitation centers, and acute care hospitals. The last 6 years of her career she has been a clinical educator in the communication sciences and disorders department, here at FHSU, helping train future speech-language pathologists. She is dedicated to providing client-centered care for individuals recovering from a life-changing medical condition. She has expertise in the areas of feeding and swallowing disorders, cognitive-communication disorders, language disorders and speech disorders.

Kiedra Hickert, MS, CCC-SLP receives a salary from Fort Hays State University Communication Sciences and Disorders Department. She reports no relevant non-financial relationships.



Terri Kern, MSW

Theresa (Terri) Kern holds a Masters Degree in Social Work, she has been married to her husband (Mike) for 36 years. They have 5 children, 2 grandchildren and one on the way. She has worked in individual therapy, family therapy as well as working with youth in the inner city. They have lived in Oregon, Maryland, Wisconsin and Utah. In 1997 they moved to the KC area and currently reside in Raymore, MO on Creekmoor Lake. In her free time, she enjoys fishing, boating, golfing and spending time with family. Theresa suffered a brain injury in 2008, she was struck by a moving vehicle and sustained injuries that should have ended her life. She and her family have written a book about their experience with Brain Injury. *Moving Mountains-Discovering Joy through Suffering* is a book about faith, determination, and miracles as the family experienced both Joy and Suffering on this journey.

Terri Kern, MSW accepts donations for her book. She reports no relevant non-financial relationships.

J.D. Kemp, MSED, CBT

J.D. Kemp is the Owner and CEO of LifeStreams, a private group practice of rehab therapies, transition programs, and other supports for individuals with Brain Injury. He holds a master's degree in educational psychology and is a Cognitive Behavioral Therapist and Certified Behavior Analyst. J.D. has served individuals with disabilities and children for more than 38 years, with the past 15 years focused on individuals with brain injury. His life's work is focused on a highly person-centered, wholistic approach towards a healthy lifestyle and maximizing independence for all individuals during their journey in recovery. He currently serves on the Public Policy and Training/Education Committees of the National Association of State Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA) and served on the Board for BIAKS and other states for many years and has been involved in various activities including all planning committees, professional conferences, family & survivor seminars, scholarship programs for those pursuing degrees in a rehab field and serves on the Brain Injury Advisory Boards in multiple states. Most recently, he chaired the Kansas State Plan Committee for the BIAKS Advisory Board. J.D. Kemp, MSED, CBT receives a salary from LifeStreams. He receives no compensation for volunteering on the boards and committees previously mentioned.

J.D. Kemp, MSED, CBT receives a salary from LifeStreams. He reports no relevant non-financial relationships.



Laura Denny, BA

I am Laura Denny and I have worked at LINK, Inc for twelve years. I have Bachelor of Science degrees in both Elementary Education and Psychology. I work with people of any age who have a self-disclosed disability. LINK covers 37 counties in Kansas, so I travel quite a bit. I provide the five core services that Centers for Independent Living are required to provide according to the American Disability Act. These include information and referral, teaching independent living skills so a person can

continue to live in their home, peer support, advocacy, and transition services. I believe that all people deserve dignity. My job allows me to help people to live in their chosen community for as long as possible by providing services and teaching skills that accommodate their choices.

Laura Denny, BA receives a salary from LINK, Inc. She reports no relevant non-financial relationships.



Tammy Gerhardt, BS

Tammy Gerhardt is a graduate of Fort Hays State University. She has BS degrees in Organizational Leadership and Information Networking and Telecommunications, with an emphasis in Networking. Tammy has been employed at the NorthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging since 2005 and currently serves as the In-Home Services Supervisor. She has been completing functional eligibility assessments for individuals with traumatic brain injuries since KanCare began in 2013

Tammy Gerhardt, BS receives a salary from NorthWest Kansas Area Agency on Aging. She reports no relevant non-financial relationships.

Seminar Planning Committee/Disclosures

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- Tammy Gerhardt, BS - Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging
- Teresa Heimann, PT – Hays Med
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- Laura Moore, BS – Kansas Department of Health & Environment
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- Karmen L. Porter, Ph.D., CCC-SLP – Fort Hays State University Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders
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