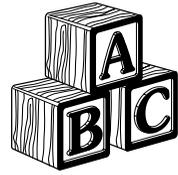


**Building Capacity:
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The purpose of this symposium is to build professional skills and family capacity to effectively support children with brain injuries. Attendees will be introduced to Project LEARN, a program funded through the DDPC to help family members and school staff respond to the challenges of children with brain injury. The web-based LEARNet System for Problem Solving and Consultation is a product of Project LEARN. A demonstration and discussion of LEARNet will be followed by break-out sessions for professionals and family members.

This symposium should be attended by special educators; related services providers; school psychologists; school nurses; school administrators; rehabilitation specialists; physicians, nurses, and health care professionals working with children with brain injury and their families; advocates; parents; and providers; and representatives of community programs.

The Brain Injury Association of New York State is a statewide non-profit membership organization that advocates on behalf of individuals with brain injury and their families, and promotes prevention. Established in 1982, the Association provides education, community support services, a toll-free Family Help Line, chapters and support groups, prevention programs, services for returning veterans, and an extensive lending library.



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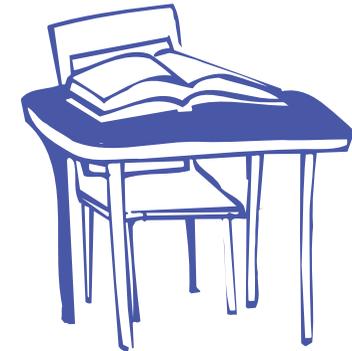
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8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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8:00 – 9:00 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

9:00 – 9:15 **Opening Remarks**
Nick Rose, Program Planner,
 NYS Developmental Disabilities Planning Council
Judith Ayner, Esq., Executive Director,
 Brain Injury Association of N.Y.S.
Jane Higham, Project Coordinator,
 Brain Injury Association of N.Y.S.

9:15 – 10:30 **Continuum of Care: The Challenge of Meeting the Needs of Students with Brain Injury and Their Families**
Mary Hibbard, Ph.D., Professor,
 Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine; Consultant, Project LEARN

10:30 – 10:50 Coffee Break

10:50 – 11:45 **LEARNet Website Development and Demonstration**
Mark Ylvisaker, Ph.D., Professor,
 College of Saint Rose; Consultant, Project LEARN

11:50 – 12:30 **LEARNet: At Work in a Community School**
Mark Ylvisaker, Ph.D. Professor,
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School-Based Team (TBA)

12:30 – 1:30 **Lunch (provided)**



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CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Session I
 1:30 – 2:30

FAMILY SERIES: Balancing the Needs of Children with Brain Injury and Family Life
Mary McDonald, Parent
Dawn Schlessl, Parent
Mary Hibbard, Ph.D., Professor,
 Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine; Consultant, Project LEARN

EDUCATOR SERIES: School Re-Integration and Ongoing Support of Children with Brain Injury
Mark Ylvisaker, Ph.D., Professor,
 College of Saint Rose; Consultant,
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Session II
 2:40 – 3:40

FAMILY SERIES: Strategies for Effective Communication with Educators
Donna Miller, Parent
Mary Hibbard, Ph.D., Professor,
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Janine Lounsbury
 Director of Family Involvement and Education,
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EDUCATOR SERIES: Using LEARNet to Develop Support Programs for Students with Challenging Behaviors
Mark Ylvisaker, Ph.D., Professor,
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3:45 – 4:00

Wrap-up/Feedback/Evaluation

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