

Did You Know?

- Every year there are approximately 16,000 hospitalizations as a result of traumatic head injuries.¹
- About 2,200 people sustain an ABI in Saskatchewan every year.²
- One of the leading causes of an ABI is motor vehicle collisions.
- Twice as many males as females sustain ABI's.
- Children and youth are the largest group admitted to Canadian hospitals because of traumatic head injuries.¹
- The only cure for an acquired brain injury is **PREVENTION**.

1. Canadian Institute for Health Information (2006). *Analysis in Brief: Head Injuries in Canada: A decade of change*. (www.cihi.ca)
2. Planning for the Need of People with Acquired Brain Injury in Saskatchewan. (1992) SP Research Associates for Saskatchewan Health.

How Do You Reach Us?

For more information, please contact the team responsible for your health region.

The teams accept self-referrals as well as those from health facilities, physicians, any rehabilitation program or professional support services, schools or community agencies.

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Partnership Project

Outreach Teams

... serving individuals with
acquired brain injury, their
families and their
communities

Who are we?

The Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) Outreach Teams are part of the ABI Partnership Project, a community-based service continuum managed by Saskatchewan Health and funded by Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI).

Each Outreach Team consists of a variety of rehabilitation professionals experienced in the field of acquired brain injury. The Outreach Teams provide services through health regions and are located in Prince Albert (Sask North) within Prince Albert Parkland Health Region, Saskatoon (Sask Central) within Saskatoon Health Region and Regina (Sask South) within Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region. In addition to their host health region, the Outreach Teams are responsible for providing services in the following health regions:

Sask North

Prince Albert Parkland, Kelsey Trail Athabasca, Keewatin Yatthé, Mamawetan Churchill River Health Regions

Sask Central

Saskatoon, Heartland, Prairie North Health Regions

Sask South

Regina Qu'Appelle, Sun Country, Five Hills, Cypress, Sunrise Health Regions

Our Mission

To provide individual and family support to people with acquired brain injury so that they may live successfully in their communities with improved quality of life.

What are our Service Goals?

- To make the most of a person's abilities.
- To be a link between hospital and community.
- To work with communities to adapt their existing services to meet the needs of the person with an acquired brain injury.
- To work with families and caregivers to maintain their own health and quality of life.
- To educate clients, family members and the community about ABI issues.
- To be an ongoing contact for support, follow-up, evaluation and education.

Who Can We Help?

- Applicants must have a diagnosis of ABI and be medically stable. Persons who have a congenital brain injury or one that is a result of a progressive condition will not be considered.
- Applicants must be a resident of Saskatchewan or be eligible for Saskatchewan health coverage.
- Priority will be given to applicants whose injury occurred in the past three years.
- Applicants must be free of active substance abuse and/or be currently involved in a treatment program.
- Applicants with a primary psychiatric diagnosis must have symptoms well managed.
- Community agencies, caregivers, employers, families and schools who require resources and support may also access services.