I’d like to introduce you to Brain Links, whose mission is “bringing together professionals to recognize the far-reaching and unique nature of brain injury and to improve services for survivors.” They are a statewide team of brain-injury specialists who equip professionals to better care for children and adults with brain injuries.

As a school nurse, I frequently see students who have sustained a concussion. There is a vast difference in the recommendations following brain injury. I always thought it would be helpful for all school nurses to have the same information about recognizing a concussion, tracking symptoms, giving care, knowing danger signs and providing information to share with parents and teachers.

The Brain Links toolkits do just that! Brain Links provides toolkits for survivors, families and caregivers, service professionals, healthcare providers and school nurses. This School Nurse Toolkit, utilized in conjunction with the care of the doctor, can help provide comprehensive care for our students who have sustained a brain injury.

I encourage you to utilize Brain Links for toolkits, online training and other resources when caring for students with brain injuries.