

# SECTION 1

# ESSENTIAL RESOURCES



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## [Tennessee Department of Health Traumatic Brain Injury \(TBI\) Program:](#)

The TBI Program staff are available to respond to questions, make referrals and provide education and training. Initial contact with the TBI Program can be the first link in a chain of support for people with brain injury and their families.

## [Tennessee Traumatic Brain Injury Service Coordination Program:](#)

There are eight Service Coordinators located in various non-profit agencies across the state. The Service Coordinator's role is to work with persons with brain injury and their family to assess current needs. Service Coordination services are provided free of charge. To learn more about service coordination please reach out to your local TBI Service Coordinator or call the TBI Hotline at 1-800-882-0611.

- **Tennessee Virtual Traumatic Brain Injury Support Group:** For more information about a TBI Support Group meeting in your area, call the TBI Program at 800-882- 0611

## **Traumatic Brain Injury Services:** [Directory and Resource Information Guide, the Tennessee Department of Health:](#)

The guide was designed to assist in locating programs, organizations, agencies, and services available across the state of Tennessee and the nation."

**NOTE:** that not all resources are in this guide. Also, check your local area for practitioners who work with people with TBI and/or check with your regional Service Coordinator (see resource above).

## [Brain Injury Association of America - Tennessee: Chapter](#)

(BIA of TN) is committed to improving the quality of life of individuals, families, caregivers, and healthcare professionals impacted by brain injury by providing critical information, education, support, prevention, and advocacy through community-based, state, and national resources.

## [Chattanooga Area Brain Injury Association of Tennessee:](#)

(CABIA) - CABIA is dedicated to providing the highest quality services in order to prevent and increase the awareness of brain injuries and to achieve optimal outcomes for brain injury survivors. Further, we are committed to advocating on behalf of brain injury survivors and their family members in order for them to achieve the highest quality of life.



**We want to hear from you!**  
**Complete our short survey to let us know how we're doing.**

### **Tennessee Disability Coalition:**

With programs, policy, and purpose, we are creating a society that values, includes, and supports people with disabilities.

### **Disability Rights Tennessee:** • • •

is a nonprofit legal services organization that provides free legal advocacy services to protect the rights of Tennesseans with disabilities." They have limited areas of focus each year. See website to learn more.

### **Statewide Independent Living Council:**

(SILC) The Statewide Independent Living Council of Tennessee's mission is to promote Independent Living philosophies, practices and values and expand IL services across the state.

### **Tennessee Disability Pathfinder:**

Tennessee Disability Pathfinder ("Pathfinder") helps people with disabilities, their family members, educators, and other professionals find and access resources, support, and services available to meet their needs.

### **Severe Brain Injury Family Guide: The Disorders of Consciousness Hub**

From Brainline. <https://www.brainline.org/>

#### **Interested in learning more?**

Visit Brain Links: [www.tndisability.org/brain](http://www.tndisability.org/brain)

TN TBI Program: <https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/fhw/tbi.html>

# The Help Hope Live Advantage



## ONE-ON-ONE SUPPORT

We pair you with one of our Client Services Coordinators to help you fundraise.



## NONPROFIT STATUS

We offer your community a way to donate that is tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.



## ONLINE DONATION PAGE

Share your story, collect donations, and receive messages of support through a customizable online campaign page.



## EASY TO SUBMIT BILLS

Once you begin fundraising for Help Hope Live, you are eligible to submit Fund Request Forms to us to cover unmet medical needs.



## KEEP YOUR MEDICAID

Because Help Hope Live maintains discretion over the funds you raise, they likely won't jeopardize your eligibility for asset-based assistance programs. You should check with your state Medicaid office to be sure.



Our **mission** as a national nonprofit is to support community-based fundraising for people with unmet medical and related expenses due to cell and organ transplants or catastrophic injuries and illnesses.

Help Hope Live has discretion and control over the use of all donated funds. Donations made in honor of a specific individual, or in response to campaign solicitations, are restricted by region only and do not obligate Help Hope Live to allocate funds toward a specific individual, as the IRS might deem such donations to be private gifts. Clients receive support according to medical and financial need.

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# Thank You!

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## We're here to help.

Our mission is to bring together professionals to recognize the far-reaching and unique nature of brain injury and to improve services for survivors. If we can help you, please feel free to reach out!



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