





INTERDISCIPLINARY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP





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ABOUT BI-ISIG

The ACRM Brain Injury Interdisciplinary Special Interest Group (BI-ISIG) is the oldest and largest ACRM special interest group and is committed to promoting high standards of clinical practice, education, and research among rehabilitation professionals with common interests in brain injury.

This dynamic group holds two general meetings annually during the ACRM Mid-Year Meeting in the spring and the Annual Conference in the fall. BI-ISIG task forces meet routinely throughout the year via international conference calls.

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MOVING AHEAD

This semi-annual newsletter of the ACRM BI-ISIG, reports the news, progress, and opportunities that spring from the group's many task forces and dedicated members.



- Participation in BI-ISIG Task Forces
- Moving Ahead semi-annual newsletter
- Opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration
- Grow your professional network of colleagues, mentors, and funders
- Gain recognition for your contributions to the field and to ACRM
- Boost your CV with opportunities to develop and demonstrate your leadership skills
- Continuing education opportunities
- Opportunity to plan educational courses for the ACRM Annual Conference
- Collaborative research opportunities
- Networking and engaging with rehabilitation colleagues who share passions and challenges
- Increasing opportunities to publish your work
- Meeting pioneers in the field, mentors, and potential research collaborators
- Advancing the field by helping to translate and disseminate cutting-edge research into clinical guidelines and practice













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BI-ISIG TASK FORCES

Active membership in the BI-ISIG includes collaborative and productive participation in its important task forces. Learn more about BI-ISIG task forces at ACRM.org/bi-taskforces.

COGNITIVE REHABILITATION TASK FORCE

CO-CHAIRS: Keith Cicerone, PhD, ABPP, FACRM; Donna Langenbahn, PhD, FACRM; Lance E. Trexler, PhD, HSPP, FACRM

FOCUS: Develop/disseminate cognitive rehabilitation clinical practice guidelines. Provide clinical training on evidence-based CR treatment.

COMMUNITY-BASED TREATMENT TASK FORCE

CO-CHAIRS: Nina Geier, MS, MPT, PT, CBIS; Ann Marie McLaughlin, PhD

FOCUS: Explore community-based models of care and review methods of outcome assessment.

DISORDERS OF CONSCIOUSNESS TASK FORCE

CO-CHAIRS: John Whyte, MD, PhD, FACRM; Risa Nakase-Richardson, PhD, FACRM

FOCUS: Conduct systematic reviews, develop clinical guidelines, disseminate materials, and advocate for persons with DOC and their families.

GIRLS AND WOMEN WITH ABI TASK FORCE

CO-CHAIRS: Angela Colantonio, PhD, FACRM; Yelena Goldin,

FOCUS: Conduct collaborative research and knowledge mobilization relevant to girls and women with ABI.

LONG-TERM ISSUES TASK FORCE

CO-CHAIRS: Kristen Dams-O'Connor, PhD; Flora Hammond, MD, FACRM

FOCUS: Review/disseminate information aimed at understanding and improving long-term brain injury outcomes.

MILD TBI TASK FORCE

CHAIR: TBD

FOCUS: Enhance knowledge of key issues in diagnosis and treatment of mTBI and concussion. Advance the quality of standards of care.

PEDIATRIC/ADOLESCENT TASK FORCE

CO-CHAIRS: Julie Haarbauer-Krupa PhD; Drew Nagele, PsyD, **CBIST**

FOCUS: Review research on ABI occurring during childhood and adolescence. Disseminate information to professionals and consumers.

PROGNOSIS AFTER TBI TASK FORCE

CO-CHAIRS: Rosette Biester, PhD; Chari Hirshson, PhD

FOCUS: Survey and make recommendations on prognostic information given to BI survivors and caregivers.

The lastest names, task forces and email addresses can be found here: www.ACRM.org/bi



GET INVOLVED

SOME BI-ISIG TASK FORCE PRODUCTS...

WHY PARTICIPATE IN BI-ISIG TASK FORCES?

This is where you will find the dedicated researchers and clinicians driving today's advances in brain injury rehabilitation and opportunities to make your own contributions to the field.

- Contribute to scientific publishing for BI rehabilitation
- Co-develop and present educational courses; earn CME/CEU credits
- Participate in joint research
- Develop position papers
- Develop and exercise leadership skills
- Influence high standards for rehabilitation research and practice
- Advocate for appropriate access to high quality rehabilitative healthcare
- · Receive recognition for your contributions to the field and ACRM
- Support the ACRM mission to **IMPROVE LIVES through** interdisciplinary rehabilitation medicine

BI-ISIG AWARDS



The BI-ISIG proudly recognizes excellence in rehabilitation research with several prestigious awards. Find more information about these awards including history and criteria at ACRM.org/bi.

DR. JOSHUA B. CANTOR SCHOLAR AWARD

Presented to a BI-ISIG member to recognize outstanding research in the field of BI rehabilitation and life after TBI

EARLY CAREER POSTER AWARD

Given to an early career researcher as first author of an outstanding BI scientific poster exhibited at the ACRM Annual Conference

DAVID STRAUSS, PHD MEMORIAL POSTER AWARD

Presented to first author of a scientific poster with a post-acute recovery theme at the ACRM Annual Conference

GIRLS AND WOMEN WITH ABI EARLY CAREER POSTER AWARD

Presented to an early career researcher who is first author of a scientific poster at the ACRM Annual Conference with the theme of women's issues

EARLY CAREER TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP TO ATTEND THE MID-YEAR MEETING

BI-ISIG Early career members are invited to apply for a travel scholarship to attend the ACRM Mid-Year Meeting held each year in Spring.

ACRM members Jim Malec and Dawn Neumann. Photo courtesy of Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana, ACRM Institutional Member.

The ACRM BI-ISIG is prolific. This is just a small sampling of products produced:

INFORMATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

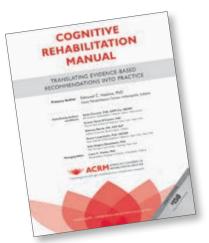
- 5 Evidence-based reviews of cognitive rehabilitation, 2000-13
- 11 Papers on disorders of consciousness after TBI, 2013
- Cognitive Rehabilitation Manual, 1st Ed., 2012
- Principles of Learning in TBI Rehabilitation, 2011
- Evidence-based review on assessment of disorders of consciousness, 2010
- Aging with Brain Injury, 2005

INSTRUCTIONAL COURSES AT THE ACRM ANNUAL CONFERENCE

- "Coping Skills Training for Survivors of Brain Injury and Caregivers," 2014
- "Fatigue in Traumatic Brain Injury: Current State of Knowledge and Future Direction," 2014
- "Diagnosis, Serial Tracking, and Prognosis of the Severely Brain Injured Patient," 2013
- "Cognitive Rehabilitation For Children: Past and Present," 2013

COGNITIVE REHABILITATION TRAININGS

- 15+ workshops presented nationally and internationally, 2012-2015
- Based on evidence-based treatments from Cognitive Rehabilitation Manual



Available for purchase at ACRM.org/cog and on Amazon.com, the ACRM Cognitive Rehabiltation Manual and the two-day live training event series, is the result of many years of hard work from BI-ISIG members.



MEETINGS...







NONSTOP CONTENT

To To fully experience the BI-ISIG, one MUST ATTEND the Conference. The ACRM Conference: Progress in Rehabilitation Research (PIRR) held every fall, offers rehabilitation researchers, providers, administrators, students, and patients the opportunity to learn about cutting-edge RESEARCH informing rehabilitative care for people with brain injury, plus NONSTOP content for five additional diagnoses and hundreds of topics. **SUBMIT** / ATTEND: www.ACRMconference.org.





SHELDON BERROL MEMORIAL CHAUTAUQUA

Named in honor of Dr. Shelly Berrol's famous "Let's talk" invitation to his colleagues and friends, the Sheldon Berrol Memorial Chautauqua was inaugurated in 1994 by John Banja and Larry Cervelli. It is a BI-ISIG special event held yearly during the ACRM Annual Conference to explore topics that provoke questions of values, ethics, and humanism in brain injury rehabilitation — questions that reflect Shelly Berrol's intellectual passion and address timely and sometimes controversial issues.



EDUCATION > NETWORKING > PAPERS > POSTERS > EXPO > FRIENDSHIPS





ACRM MID-YEAR MEETING (MYM)



Smaller in scale and more casual, the ACRM MYM is another annual key gathering for BI-ISIG members. The MYM provides plenty of opportunities to jump in, get involved, meet and work with Task Force members face-to-face. This event is all about "getting things done" amidst a super-charged atmosphere and a friendly collaborative environment. All this and FREE registration for ACRM members. www.ACRM.org/MYM

TIP: The MYM is known as "the secret weapon" of ACRM membership because entry is FREE for ACRM members!



"ACRM is the only place where I can get cutting-edge research and see all my friends — not only from around the country but from around the world. This is the best place to go to get new information and to network, network, NETWORK."

— Dr. Tessa Hart, PhD, FACRM, Institute Scientist, Moss Rehabilitation Research Institute, Elkins Park, PA

ACRM is the membership community of choice for the top rehabilitation researchers in the world.

"The Brain Injury Interdisciplinary Special Interest Group is one of the most productive and prolific groups in the organization and I would make the case that it is probably one of the most productive in the world in terms of scientific publishing, in terms of practice, and even driving new policy"



— Joseph Giacino, PhD, FACRM, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, Boston, MA

SEE ACRM VIDEO TESTIMONIALS







ABOUT ACRM



ACRM serves a global community of researchers and clinicians striving to deliver evidence-based rehabilitation interventions to people with disabling conditions, such as traumatic brain injury, spinal cord injury, stroke, neurodegenerative disease, pain and cancer. ACRM is committed to the dissemination of research and educating providers, while supporting advocacy efforts to ensure adequate public funding of research endeavors.

QUESTIONS???



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About BI-ISIG:

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HOW TO JOIN ACRM BI-ISIG? THERE IS NO FEE TO JOIN

ACRM MEMBERS

Simply update your member profile:

- I) Go to ACRM.org
- 2) Select "Member Login" (top right)
- 3) Select "My Information" (left navigation)
- 4) Select "[Edit/View Information]" (horizontal navigation under customer ID)
- 5) Scroll to bottom of page and select "Brain Injury Interdisciplinary Special Interest Group (BI-ISIG)."
- 6) Click "Save" (at bottom right)
- 7) Contact BI-ISIG chair to learn how to participate

NONMEMBERS

ISIG Only Membership allows non-members to participate in the ISIG of their choice at the non-renewable rate of \$95 for an introductory two-year period. This offer exclusively permits first-time members to participate fully in one ISIG without the benefits of full ACRM membership.

Visit **ACRM.org/join** to join online or print an ISIG Only Membership application. If you need assistance, contact MemberServices@ACRM.org or call +1.703.435.5335.

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Discover the full benefits of ACRM membership, including complimentary membership in your choice of more than a dozen interdisciplinary special interest groups (ISIGs) and networking groups, ACRM leadership opportunities, and subscription to the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Individual memberships are available at various levels. Visit ACRM.org/join.

ACRM institutional membership provides substantial discounts on all ACRM products, events, marketing opportunities and the benefit of affiliation with the world's largest association for interdisciplinary rehabilitation research. MORE

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Improving lives through interdisciplinary rehabilitation research

To get to the **right** treatment...

REHABILITATION TRAINING

with Authors of the Manual

TWO-DAY COURSE

I feel like this training gives me a game plan and a strategy to start developing my treatment plans. I know where to start with each of my patients and I feel more confident and assured that the treatment I'm providing is evidence-based.

— Zachary C. Bayer, Neuropsychologist, PsyD, LLC

You need to know **ALL** of the strategies

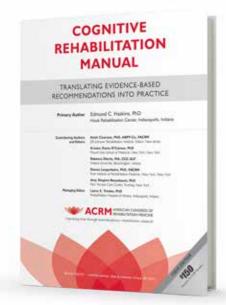


ATLANTA , GA, USA	6 – 7 FEB	Shepherd Center
LINCOLN, NE, USA	27 – 28 FEB	Bryan Health
CHICAGO, IL, USA	13 – 14 APR	ACRM MID-YEAR MEETING (MYM)
CHICAGO, IL, USA	31 OCT – 1 NOV	ACRM PROGRESS IN Annual Conference REHABILITATION RESEARCH (PIRR)

Course is based on the highly-regarded ACRM Cognitive Rehabilitation Manual

More than 1,000 have already attended this popular training course

CME/CEU credits in your choice of 10 disciplines



Printed Manual included with clinical forms and worksheets
\$150 Value

Make sure you and your team have ALL of the up-to-date cognitive rehabilitation strategies. The ACRM Manual and the LIVE training encompass ALL of the evidence-based cognitive rehabilitation interventions.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? Physicians, neuropsychologists, therapists and all clinicians serving individuals with brain injury. Family members / caregivers who care for anyone with brain injury may also benefit.

MORE: www.ACRM.ORG/cogtraining

COGNITIVE REHABILITATION TRAINING COURSES 2012: NASHVILLE, TN, USA // VANCOUVER, BC, CAN 2013: BALTIMORE, MD, USA; JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY // STOCKHOLM, SWE; REHABILITATION MEDICINE UNIVERSITY CLINIC STOCKHOLM // ORLANDO, FL, USA 2014: LOS ANGELES, CA, USA; CEDARS-SINAI // NESODDTANGEN, NOR; SUNAAS REHABILITATION HOSPITAL // TORONTO, ON, CAN 2015: INDIANAPOLIS, IN, USA; REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OF INDIANA // DALLAS, TX, USA



Improving lives through interdisciplinary rehabilitation research

