

Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury

DRRI advocates for people with a Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) through its **Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury** (PATBI) program. A TBI is a brain injury from a blow to the head, a shaking injury, or other external cause.

How DRRI Can Help You

DRRI can advocate for **improved access to high quality health care services and educational programs**. These services may include:

- Employment services from the Office of Rehabilitation Services.
- Independent Living Services.
- Assistive Technology.
- Home- and community-based services.
- Education services (including school-to-adult transition planning and services).
- Adequate mental health treatment.
- Access to services in correctional facilities.

DRRI can advocate for **support and accommodations** you may need. DRRI can advocate for:

- Support and accommodations at work.
- Housing accommodations.
- Accommodations from the government, health care providers, schools, colleges, or testing services.
- Support and accommodations for voting.
- Social Security Administration overpayments.
- Preventing guardianship.
- Problems getting out of hospitals, nursing homes, or other facilities.

If DRRI cannot help you with your problem, other organizations or people might be able to. Helpful resources include:

- [The Brain Injury Association of Rhode Island \(BIARI\) Resource Center](#)
- [Ocean State Center for Independent Living \(OSCIL\)](#)
- [Rhode Island Parent Information Network \(RIPIN\)](#)
- [The Governor's Commission on Disabilities \(GCD\)](#)

These are **not** all of DRRI's PATBI services. **If you want more information or have questions, you should contact DRRI at info@drri.org or (401) 831-3150.**