When to Seek Immediate Medical Attention:

DANGER SIGNS

In rare cases, a dangerous blood clot may form on the brain in a person with a concussion and crowd the brain against the skull. Contact your health care professional or emergency department right away if you have any of the following danger signs after a bump, blow, or jolt to the head or body:

- Headache that gets worse and does not go away
- Weakness, numbness or decreased coordination
- · Repeated vomiting or nausea
- Slurred speech

SYMPTOMS OF CONCUSSION USUALLY FALL INTO FOUR CATEGORIES:

THINKING/ REMEMBERING PHYSICAL Difficulty thinking Headache clearly Nausea or vomiting · Feeling slowed down (early on) Difficulty concentrating • Balance problems • Difficulty remembering • Dizziness new information · Fuzzy or blurry vision • Feeling tired, having no energy · Sensitive to noise or light

EMOTIONAL/MOOD	SLEEP DISTURBANCE
Irritability	• Sleeping more than u
• Sadness	• Sleeping less than us
More emotional	• Trouble falling asleep
Nervousness or anxiety	

Some of these symptoms may appear right away, while others may not be noticed for days or months after the injury, or until the person starts resuming their everyday life and more demands are placed upon them.

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Our Office Locations

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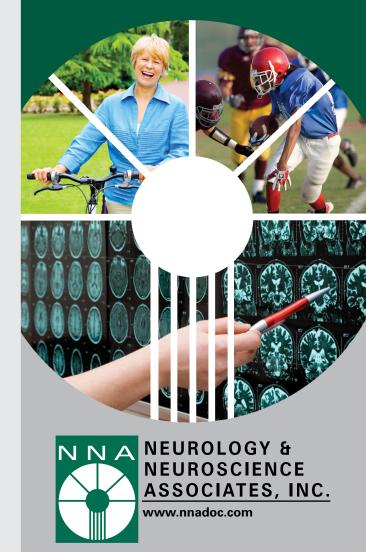
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The Brain Injury Program at NNA is dedicated to the diagnosis, treatment

and rehabilitation of traumatic and nontraumatic brain injuries. Our specialized team provides acute management of head injuries, and coordinates an individualized treatment plan to help patients return to daily living, work, school or sports. Brain injury can lead to physical disabilities, as well as cognitive, social and behavioral problems. Our interdisciplinary team approach assesses each patient's individual needs and coordinates a care plan with patients and their families.

The Concussion Clinic at NNA provides

Fast Track initial neurological and/or neuropsychological evaluations of sports related and other concussions. Many times the symptoms of concussion are subtle, and it's very important to obtain a proper medical evaluation following an injury to the head. Our team diagnoses the severity of the brain injury, manages the current symptoms, provides cognitive testing, and makes return to play, school or work recommendations. We also provide post injury management to prevent against Second Impact Syndrome and the cumulative effects of the injury.

The Brain Injury Program at NNA

Meet Our Brain Injury Specialists



Ryan Lynch, D.O. Neurologist Co-Medical Director, Brain Injury Program at NNA

Dr. Lynch received his medical degree from Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, Erie, PA. He served his neurology residency at Hamot Medical Center, Erie, PA and

completed a fellowship in neurorehabilitation at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Erie.

A board-certified neurologist, Dr. Lynch has special interests in neurorehabilitation, stroke and brain injury.



DeAnna Frye, Ph.D. Neuropsychologist Co-Medical Director. Brain Injury Program at NNA

Dr. Frye received a Ph.D. in counseling psychology from University of Akron. She received an M.S. in counseling psychology from University of

Akron and a B.S. in psychology from Heidelberg College, Tiffin, OH.

Dr. Frye performs neuropsychological assessments and testing, and provides psychotherapy and counseling to patients with neurological disorders.

Dr. Frve has special interest and expertise in brain injury, and she is a founding member and current Co-Chair of the Summit County Traumatic Brain Injury Collaborative.

TEAM APPROACH - Drs. Frye and Lynch work together with the rest of the NNA medical staff to ensure that all of our patients' needs are addressed.

NEUROLOGISTS – Dr. Rvan Lvnch leads our team of neurologists who perform initial neurological evaluations and follow-up care to patients who have suffered a brain injury. They provide initial diagnosis, develop comprehensive treatment plans, and coordinate services with other specialties as needed. For sports related concussions, acute management of the concussion is performed to rule out more serious head injuries. Return to play, work or school recommendations are made after a full assessment.

NEUROPSYCHOLOGISTS – Dr. DeAnna Frye performs neuropsychological testing, cognitive assessments, and provides counseling to patients with head injuries.

ImPACT TESTING – a computerized neuropsychological test battery designed to evaluate multiple aspects of cognitive functioning following concussion. Drs. Frye and Lynch are Credentialed ImPACT Consultants, and they utilize the test data to measure post concussion progress. Baseline testing is also available.

POST INJURY MANAGEMENT – Patients are followed by our team and monitored closely to prevent against:

- Second Impact Syndrome
- Cumulative neurocognitive and behavioral deficits related to injury
- Post Concussion Syndrome

MRI & EEG - on-site testing available for acute management and diagnosis of head injuries.

SPEECH THERAPY – on-site speech therapy provided through collaboration with the University of Akron's School of Speech-Language Pathology.

FAST TRACK SCHEDULING – for patients needing immediate specialized care.

HEADACHE MANAGEMENT – Patients with ongoing headaches or migraines may be treated in NNA's Headache Center.

PATIENTS WE SERVE – The Brain Injury Program at NNA serves patients with concussions related to sports injuries, car accidents, falls and other head injuries. We serve adult patients as well as adolescents over 12 years of age.

What You Should Know **About Brain Injuries**

BRAIN INJURY

A Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) is caused by a bump, blow or jolt to the head or a penetrating head injury that disrupts the normal function of the brain. Not all blows or jolts to the head result in a TBI. The severity of a TBI may range from "mild," i.e., a brief change in mental status or consciousness to "severe," i.e., an extended period of unconsciousness or amnesia after the injury. The majority of TBIs that occur each year are concussions or other forms of mild TBI.

CONCUSSION

A concussion is a type of TBI that can occur from a fall or a blow to the body that causes the head and brain to move quickly back and forth. Even a "ding," "getting your bell rung," or what seems to be mild bump or blow to the head can be serious.

Concussions can occur in any sport or recreation activity. So, all coaches, parents, and athletes need to learn concussion signs and symptoms and what to do if a concussion occurs.

Most people with a concussion recover quickly and fully. But for some people, symptoms can last for days, weeks, or longer. In general, recovery may be slower among older adults, young children, and teens. Those who have had a concussion in the past are also at risk of having another one and may find that it takes longer to recover if they have another concussion.

Helpful Websites

- http://www.biausa.org
- http://www.cdc.gov/traumaticbraininjury
- http://www.impacttest.com
- http://www.neurologychannel.com/tbi