

## **BRAIN INJURY SYMPTOMS FORM**

Traumatic brain injury can have wide-ranging physical and psychological effects. Some signs or symptoms may appear immediately after the traumatic event, while others may appear days or weeks later.

Please indicate if you have experienced any of the following symptoms since the motor vehicle accident by placing a mark in the appropriate box:

Physi	ical symptoms		
	Loss of Consciousness Headache and possible neck pain Nausea or vomiting Fatigue, drowsiness, lethargy, change in sleep pattern Problems with speech Weakness or numbness in fingers and toes Dysphagia (problems swallowing) Loss of coordination		Altered Consciousness (No loss of consciousness, but a state of being dazed, confused or disoriented) Difficulty sleeping/ Sleep disturbance Sleeping more than usual Light-headedness or dizziness Problems with balance/walking/loss of balance Excessive fatigue Change in sex drive
Senso	ory symptoms		
	Increased sensitivity to light/sound/distractions Paralysis of facial muscles or losing sensation in the face	0	Loss of vision/blurred vision or "tired" eyes Ringing in the ear(s) (tinnitus)
	Loss of or altered sense of smell Loss of or altered sense of taste A bitter taste, a bad smell or difficulty smelling Blind spots or double vision		Hearing loss Difficulty recognizing objects Impaired hand-eye coordination Skin tingling, pain or itching Trouble with balance or dizziness

Cogn	itive or mental symptoms		
	Amnesia Profound confusion and/or getting lost Slurred speech Problems with speech/word finding Difficulty speaking or writing Difficulty understanding speech or writing Problems with memory Problems with concentration/ability to focus		Inability to organize thoughts and ideas Slowness in thinking, acting, speaking, reading Impaired decision making or problem solving Trouble following and participating in conversations Easily distracted/lack of attention Agitation, combativeness or other unusual behaviour
Beha	vioral Changes		
	Behavioural and/or mood changes Problems with judgment/self-control Problems in social relationships/situations Lack of awareness of abilities		Problems with behaviour / risky behaviour Problems with anger/irritability Verbal or physical outbursts
Emot	ional Changes		
	Problems with emotions/emotional instability/mood swings Excessive crying Problems with depression/mood Feeling anxious Feeling overwhelmed (in social situations, crowds)		Change in personality Lowered frustration tolerance Increased irritability Increased anger Lack of empathy for others Insomnia
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