

Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program



The Florida Department of Health's Brain and Spinal Cord Injury Program (BSCIP) provides case management and care coordination as its primary service. Based on the availability of funds, additional services may include:

-  Rehabilitation Services
-  Assistive Technology
-  Home Modifications
-  Durable Medical Equipment

The program also:

- Funds education and prevention activities by supporting organizations, such as Sports Ability Alliance (formerly Florida Disabled Outdoor Association)
- Partners with the Florida Association of Centers for Independent Living and the Florida Department of Education/Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to provide additional services
- Provides funding for research to the University of Florida and the University of Miami

The BSCIP is funded through traffic-related civil penalties, surcharges for driving or boating under the influence, fees on temporary license tags, and fees from motorcycle specialty tags.

Program Eligibility

Section 381.76, Florida Statutes, requires that an individual must be a legal Florida resident who has sustained a moderate-to-severe traumatic brain or spinal cord injury, meets the state's definition of such injuries, has been referred to the BSCIP Central Registry, and is medically stable to be eligible for services. There must also be a reasonable expectation that, with the provision of appropriate services and supports, the individual can return to a community-based setting rather than reside in a skilled nursing facility.

Applying for Assistance

Referrals for our program can be submitted through the Central Registry Portal. Scan the QR code or visit FloridaHealth.gov/BSCIP to get started.

Section 381.74, Florida Statutes, requires that all hospitals, attending physicians, public, private, or social agencies refer all new traumatic moderate-to-severe brain or spinal cord injuries to the BSCIP Central Registry.

Scan for Resources & Referral Tools



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Application Process

A BSCIP case manager will attempt to contact the individual within 10 working days after the referral has been received. The case manager will work with the individual and family to determine program eligibility and provide information about federal, state, and community resources. When appropriate and necessary, an individual community reintegration plan will be developed and implemented. The BSCIP is the payer of last resort and funding for services is based on availability of funds.