

BRAIN INJURY SUPPORT GROUPS in NEW YORK CITY and LONG ISLAND

Meeting times and locations may change – contact the group leader before attending

NEW YORK CITY - Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Staten Island

BRONX

BIANYS Survivors/Caregivers Support Group (BIANYS affiliate)

Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month, 10:30am-12:00pm
Contact Ellie Bibawy (call prior to attending for first time)
Phone (718) 234-3586
Email ebibawy@bianys.org
Location North Central Bronx Hospital, 34-24 Kossuth Avenue, Rm 15A-25, Bronx

BROOKLYN

BIANYS Suvivors of ABI/TBI Support Group (BIANYS affiliate)

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, 12:30 - 2:00pm
Contacts Jan Wollney - (718) 356-2851 - jwollney@bianys.org
or Sandrina Kingston - (718) 998-3000
or Ellie Bibawy - (718) 234-3586 - ebibawy@bianys.org
Location Brooklyn Center for Independence (BCID), 27 Smith Street, 2nd fl., Brooklyn

MANHATTAN

BIANYS Survivors of BI Support Group (BIANYS affiliate)

Meets 3rd Thursday of each month, 6:30 – 8:00pm
Contact Jan Wollney
Phone (718) 356-2851
Email jwollney@bianys.org
Location St. Johns Lutheran Church, 83 Christopher St., alley entrance (west of 7th Ave. South)
call 718-673-0995 for help entering the site

Loved Ones of Survivors Group (for Caregivers) (BIANYS affiliate)

Meets 3rd Monday of each month 4:00-5:30pm
Contact Iris Rosen, LCSW-R (call prior to attending for first time)
Phone (212) 938-4040
Email irosen@sunyopt.edu
Location SUNY College of Optometry, 33 West 42nd Street

Meeting of the Minds - Support Group for Young People

Meets 4th Thursday of each month, 4:00pm
Contact Bryan Steinhauer: (718) 207-9688, mindsfund@gmail.com
or Dr. Sabrina Breed: (212) 241-6103, sabrina.breed@mountsinai.org
Location Mount Sinai Hospital, 5 East 102nd Street, 1 West (ground floor), room D1-118

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Mt. Sinai Women's Support Group

Contact For more information, call Seton Melvin
Phone (212) 241-5010
Location Brain Injury Research Center of Mt. Sinai, 5 E. 98th Street, room B-13

Rusk Traumatic Brain Injury Survivor and Family Support Group

Meets 4th Thursday of every month, 4:00-5:00pm
Contact Pamela Singer, LCSW, Senior Social Worker
Phone (212) 263-1114
Email Pamela.Singer@nyumc.org
Location Rusk Ambulatory Care Center, 240 East 38th Street 17th fl, room 17-43

Rusk Young Stroke Survivors Group

Meets 2nd Tuesday of every month, 5:30-6:30pm
Contact Pamela Singer, LCSW, Senior Social Worker: (212) 263-1114, Pamela.Singer@nyumc.org
or: Dina Pagnotta: (212) 404-3793, Geraldine.Pagnotta@nyumc.org
Location Rusk Ambulatory Care Center, 240 East 38th Street 17th fl., room 17-43

Stroke and Brain Injury Survivors Group

(BIANYS affiliate)

Meets 1st Monday of the month, 12:15-1:45pm
Contact Iris Rosen, LCSW-R (call prior to attending for first time)
Phone (212) 938-4040
Email irosen@sunyopt.edu
Location SUNY College of Optometry, 33 West 42nd Street

STATEN ISLAND

BIANYS Survivors of ABI/TBI Support Group

(BIANYS affiliate)

Meets: 2nd Wednesday of each month, 4:00-5:30pm
Contact: Jan Wollney
Phone: (718) 356-2851
Email jwollney@bianys.org
Location: Staten Island University Hospital, North (SIUH, No.)
McGinn Education Center, room C, 475 Seaview Ave, Regina , Staten Island

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LONG ISLAND - Nassau & Suffolk Counties

NASSAU

Common Ground Alliance "Insights & Strategies" Support Group

Meets: Monthly, Wednesday evenings, 6:00-7:30pm, call for dates
Contact: Dr. Deborah Benson
Phone: (516) 586-4480
Location: Common Ground Alliance
1670 Old Country Road, Suite 119, Plainview

Glen Cove Hospital, Support Group for Survivors and Caregivers

Meets: 4:00-5:30pm, on July 29, Aug. 26, Sept. 30, Oct. 28, Nov. 18, and Dec. 16
Contact: Merav deGuzman - (516) 674-7696
or Dr. Gonzalo Vazquez-Casals - (516) 674-1739
Location: Glen Cove Hospital, Rehab 1 South Dining Room
101 St Andrews Lane, Glen Cove

Long Island Head Injury Association Support Group

Contact: For more information, call the Service Coordination Program Manager
Phone: (631) 543-2245, ext. 7485

South Nassau Hospital Coma/Traumatic Brain Injury Recovery Group

Meets: 2nd Monday of each month, 8:15pm
Contact: For more information, call: (516) 377-5333
Location: South Nassau Hospital, One Healthy Way, Oceanside

Transitions of Long Island Support Group

Meets: Many 1st Wednesdays of each month, 4:00-5:30
Contact: Dr. Jean Elbaum, Ph.D.
Phone: (516) 719-3740
Location: Manhasset Ambulatory Pavilion, North Shore LIJ, Dining Room, 3rd fl
1554 Northern Blvd, Manhasset

SUFFOLK

New Beginnings Support Group

Meets: 1st Wednesday of each month, 7:00-8:30pm
Contact: Mr. Tom Archer
Phone: (631) 974-4998
Email: whacko@optonline.net
Location: New Beginnings, 12 Platinum Court, Medford

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RES Support Group for TBI Survivors

and **RES Support Group for Caregivers**

Meets: The last Thursday of each month, 6:00-7:00pm *(these groups meet at the same time)*
Phone: (631) 732-4749
Email: jwarish@resbiservices.com
or sherbst@resbiservices.com
Location: RES Company, 1461 Lakeland Ave, Bohemia

Southside Hospital Support Group

(BIANYS affiliate)

Meets: 2nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00-9:00pm
Contact: Kate Metzger
Phone: (631) 968-3741
Location: Southside Hospital, 301 East Main Street, Board Room #2, Bay Shore

St. Charles Hospital Brain Injury Support Group

Meets: 3rd Wednesday of each month - call for time
Contact: Mike Apostoli
Phone: (631) 474-6952
Email: mike.apostoli@chsli.org
Location: St. Charles Hospital- St. Camillus, 200 Belle Terre Road, Boardroom 1, Port Jefferson

St. Charles Hospital Stroke Support Group for Survivors and Caregivers

Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month, 2:00-4:00pm
Contact: For more information, call the Public Affairs Office
Phone: (631) 474-6445
Location: St. Charles Hospital – Saint Raphael, Port Jefferson

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