

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR PEOPLE WITH BRAIN INJURIES AND THEIR FAMILIES?

Join The Brain Injury Association of North Carolina's Board of Directors!

What is The Brain Injury Association of North Carolina?

Founded in 1982 by families and concerned professionals, the Brain Injury Association of North Carolina (BIANC) is a non-profit membership organization offering help, hope, and a voice for people with brain injuries and their families. A chartered affiliate of the Brain Injury Association of America, BIANC currently has Family and Community Support Centers in Raleigh, Charlotte, Greenville, and Asheville, and a volunteer resource center in High Point. BIANC also offers a toll-free Family Helpline, resource centers, educational programs, and over 40 support groups which meet in many communities across the state. Please explore our website at www.bianc.net to learn more about our organization.

What do Board Members do?

Board members are responsible for creating and reviewing the mission and purpose for BIANC. They also ensure legal and ethical integrity, effective organizational planning and adequate resources for the organization. Another role is recruiting and orienting new board members and evaluating Board and staff effectiveness.

How much time does it take to be a Board member?

Board members are expected to attend quarterly Board meetings and Committee meetings. Board meetings are held quarterly, and Committee meetings are scheduled between Board meetings at the discretion of the Committee chair. Committee meetings are generally held by telephone conference calling. Board members are asked to participate in several state-wide fundraising and/or public awareness events each year.

Where do Board meetings occur?

The location of Board meetings are established prior to the first meeting of the year. They are usually held in Burlington, NC – the geographic center of the state. One Board meeting will be held by conference call – generally in the summer – to accommodate vacation travel schedules.

I have limited resources and can't afford to travel. Can BIANC help?

If you are a survivor of brain injury or a family member, BIANC will - upon your request - cover the expenses for you to attend all Board meetings.

I don't like to ask people for donations. Will I have to do that?

Fundraising is a responsibility of Board members. There are, however, many different ways that you as a Board member can fulfil that responsibility: (1) by marketing the benefits of the BIANC to encourage increased memberships; (b) by encouraging others in the community to participate in fund-raising events; (c) by making financial donations yourself; and (d) by sharing information with staff about possible funding sources.

THE BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF NORTH CAROLINA
Application for Membership on the Board of Directors

What interests you most about the Brain Injury Association on North Carolina (BIANC)?

What are some of your previous board memberships or other volunteer experiences?

What would make board membership a rewarding experience for you?

What skills, training, resources, and expertise do you feel you have to offer? (not restricted to experience in the brain injury field)

Do you have interest and time to participate in committee work?

Would you be able to commit to a full board term of three years?

Would you need any accommodation or assistance to participate on the Board? (such as respite, transportation, etc.)

Your contact information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Cell _____

Email: _____

Mail completed application to: Brain Injury Association of North Carolina
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