

## Resources for Brain Injury

*\*\*Note, this is not a comprehensive list of professionals who serve Brain Injury individuals, but these are probably the most requested. If you have more to add to this list, please let me know!*

*Gina Simanek, MA, LMHP: 402-327-0120*

### Psychologists/Counselors

#### (LINCOLN AREA):

##### **Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital**

Neuropsychology Department - \* call to see if anyone is available (e.g., Dr. Lori Terryberry - Spohr, Dr. Travis Groft, Dr. Roger Riss, Dr. Paula Ray, Dr. Ryan Ernst, Dr. Todd Fleischer - Pediatric, etc.)  
5401 South St.  
Lincoln, NE 68506  
402-413-3000

**Bryan Mental Health Counseling Center:** Have brain injury rehabilitation services, but am unfamiliar with their hospital. Would call and request any counselor/psychologist who serves Brain Injury individuals (e.g., Cindy Hollister) on an outpatient basis @ 402-481-5991.

Cindy Hollister, LCSW  
Mild TBI  
Bryan Mental Health Counseling Center

##### **University of Nebraska's Psychological Consultation Center**

Main Campus, Burnett Hall  
402-472-2351

##### **Arias Neuropsychology and Behavioral Medicine**

Robert Arias, Ph.D./ Chris Rathburn, Psy.D.  
6940 Van Dorn St., Suite 201  
Lincoln, NE 68506  
402-323-8890

##### **Infinite Possibilities**

Lindy Bixler  
5561 S. 48<sup>th</sup> St.  
Suite 232B  
Lincoln, NE 68516  
402-429-8828

##### **Plaza West Psychiatrists**

Eileen Curry, Ph.D.  
2222 S. 16th St, Suite 330 Lincoln, Ne, 68502

(402) 474-1511

Janet H. Lingren, EDD, LMHP  
7601 Roose St.  
Lincoln, NE 68056  
402-488-1916

**(OMAHA AREA):**

Ty Callahan, Ph.D.  
Clinical Neuropsychologist  
4242 Farnam St., Ste. 655  
Omaha, NE 68131 (402) 552-2665

Renee Hudson, Psy.D.  
Specialized in Clinical Neuropsychology  
10791 S. 72<sup>nd</sup> St., Ste. A  
Papillion, NE 68046 (402) 253-7870

Elisabeth Sundermeier, Ph.D.  
Alegent Creighton Health Psychiatric Associates Immanuel  
Adult Outpatient  
7101 Newport Ave.  
Immanuel Three Professional Center, Ste. 207  
Omaha, NE 68152 (402) 572-2916

Sara Pattivina - Moulton, LCSW, LIMHP  
2808 S. 80<sup>th</sup> Ave., Ste. 130  
Omaha, NE 68124 (402) 312-0177

Karrie Reynolds, LPCC  
11207 W. Dodge Rd., Ste. 150  
Omaha, NE 68154 (402) 980-6799

**Marriage and Family Therapy (Omaha Area):**

Tom Haley, Ph.D.  
12728 Augusta Ave.  
Omaha, NE 68144 (402) 330-1537

**(OTHER AREAS):**

**Prairie Institute of Psychology – Grand Island**

Jerry Denton, Psy.D. (not a licensed neuropsychologist, but performs neuropsychological assessments)  
1513 Stagecoach Road  
Grand Island, NE 68801

(308) 382-234-6230

Kira Larsen

308-325-0793

[kirak@cozadtel.net](mailto:kirak@cozadtel.net)

\*TBI counselor in Lexington, NE area

**Kearney Neuropsychological Services**

Ron Ridder, Ph.D.

4111 4th Ave # 32

Kearney, NE 68845-2884 (308) 234-6029

**Mary Lanning Healthcare - Hastings**

Jeromy Warner, Psy.D., LP

Psychology Coordinator/Supervisor

Suite 108

Hastings, NE 68901

402-463-7711

[jwarner@mlmh.org](mailto:jwarner@mlmh.org)

**Behavioral Medicine Associates – North Platte**

Lee Kimzey, Psy.D. (not a licensed neuropsychologist but does neuropsychological assessments)

220 West Leota, Ste. 200

North Platte, NE 69101

(308) 534-4872

**Options in Psychology, LLC – Scottsbluff**

2622 Avenue C

Scottsbluff, NE 69361

308-632-8547

**Speech-Language Pathologists**

**Barkley Memorial Center - University of Nebraska-Lincoln, East Campus**

-Barkley Speech-Language and Hearing Clinic (all ages)

Dr. Kevin Menefee: 402-472-8601 (When calling, please indicate that you have incurred a brain injury)

-Traumatic Brain Injury Coaching Clinic - serves individuals with TBI who attend UNL classes; 402-472-2071: ask for Judy Harvey

**Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital**

402-413-3000

**Gering Public Schools**

Vicki Rutter, MA, CCC-SLP

Speech Language Pathologist  
1519 10<sup>th</sup> St.  
Gering, NE 69341  
P: 308-436-3125

### **Epilepsy Specialists**

**Sanjay P. Singh, M.D.**  
University Of Nebraska, Dept NEU  
4242 Farnam St Suite 650  
Omaha, NE 68131  
(402) 337-4005

**Deepak Madhavan, M.D.**  
4242 Farnam Street, Suite 650  
North Doctor's Tower  
Omaha, NE 68131  
Phone: 402-559-8600

### **Physical Therapy**

**Hruska Clinic Inc.**  
Ron Hruska, MPA, PT  
5241 R St.  
Lincoln, NE 68504  
402-467-4545  
[ron@hruskaclinic.com](mailto:ron@hruskaclinic.com)

**Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital**  
402-413-3000

### **Neuro-Optometry**

**Oculi – Vision Rehabilitation**  
James Nedrow, O.D., M.S., F.A.A.O.  
1401 Infinity, Suite D  
Lincoln, NE 68512  
402-420-0880

**PRI Vision**  
Heidi Wise, O.D.  
Behavioral Optometrist  
5241 R. St., Ste. #3  
Lincoln, NE 68504  
402-261-6793

\*\*\*It is best to have either Dr. Nedrow or Dr. Wise to take care of regular optometric needs pending on if they accept your optometric insurance. Most Optometrists do not understand Neuro-Optometry needs.

**Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital**

Dr. Gates  
5401 South St.  
Lincoln, NE 68506  
402-413-3000

**Neurology**

**Neurological and Spinal Surgery LLC**

John Puente, M.D.-Private practice neurologist  
-Bryan LGH Medical Center-West Lincoln NE 6850 -Neurological and Spinal  
Surgery LLC St Elizabeth Medical Plaza  
575 South 70th Street Suite 400 Lincoln NE 68510 1  
-402-488-3002 1-877-791-8360  
[www.neuroandspinalsurg.com](http://www.neuroandspinalsurg.com)

**University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC)**

Bill Thorell, M.D.  
Assistant professor of Neurological surgery  
Section of Neurosurgery  
402-559-3995  
[wthorell@unmc.edu](mailto:wthorell@unmc.edu)  
42<sup>nd</sup> and Dewey St.  
Omaha, NE 68198  
402-559-9700  
\*Ask for Neurology Department

Dr. Daniel J. Tomes, MD  
60<sup>th</sup> and Village Drive  
Lincoln, NE  
(402) 904-4729

Hakam Asaad, M.D.  
Norfolk Neurology  
Norfolk, NE  
402-844-8166

Regional West Physicians Clinic  
Xiaomei Gao-Hickman, M.D.  
Rehabilitation Medicine  
Medical Plaza South  
3911 Ave. B, Ste. 2300

Scottsbluff, NE 69361  
(308) 630-2030

Thomas Kopitnik, M.D.  
Central Wyoming Neurosurgery Llc  
6600 E 2nd St  
Casper, WY 82609  
307-266-4000

D. Santiago, M.D., Neurologist  
307-234-9037

(4 hrs. from Scottsbluff, NE, but they have good reviews)

### **Geriatric Physician**

Andrew Bohart, MD  
Southeast Lincoln Family Medicine  
4424 S 86th St  
Lincoln, NE 68526  
(402) 483-8500 (Office)

### **Physiatrists/Pain Management**

Margaret L. Coon, M.D./Physiatry  
Regional Center West Physicians Clinic  
Rehabilitation Medicine  
Medical Plaza South  
3911 Ave. B, Ste. 2300  
Scottsbluff, NE 69361  
308-630-1055

Richard Wilroy, M.D.  
Regional Center West Physicians Clinic  
Rehabilitation Medicine  
Medical Plaza South  
3911 Ave. B, Ste. 2300  
Scottsbluff, NE 69361  
308-630-2992

### **Psychiatry/Nurse Practitioner**

**Lincoln Psychiatric Group**  
Jeffrey Coffman, MD  
6920 Van Dorn St.  
Ste. B  
Lincoln, NE 68506

402-476-7557

Ahsan Naseem, MD  
Geriatric Psychiatry  
600 S. 70<sup>th</sup> St.  
Lincoln, NE 68510  
402-486-7923

**Plaza West Psychiatrists**

Stephen Paden, MD  
2222 S 16th St., Ste. 330 Lincoln, NE 68502  
402-474-1511

**Lincoln Psychiatric Group**

Diana Clyne, MD  
6920 Van Dorn St.  
Ste. B  
Lincoln, NE 68506  
402-476-7557

**Plaza West Psychiatrists**

Rafael Tatay, MD  
2222 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Ste. 330  
Lincoln, NE 68502  
402-474-1511

**First Step Wellness Center**

Mohammad S. Kamal, MD  
1919 South 40th Street Suite 212  
Lincoln, NE 68506

-210 Gateway Mall Lincoln, NE 68505  
(402) 441-9280

**BryanLGH Heartland Psychiatry**

Danielle Buda, MD  
2222 S. 16th Street Suite 410  
West Medical Plaza Tower A  
Lincoln NE, 68502  
Phone (402) 483-8555

Tina Vest, APRN, CNP  
2935 Pine Lake Road, Ste. F  
Lincoln, NE 68506  
402-817-0897

Amy Schuett, MD  
10060 Regency Circle  
Omaha, NE 68114 (402) 354-1500

**University of Nebraska Medical Center**  
Mark Fleischer, MD  
402-552-6007

**Immanuel-Child/Adolescent Psychiatry**  
Monica Arora, MD  
402-345-8828

### **Brain Injury Resource Information**

#### **Americans with Disabilities Act/ADA**

Jim Dejung: 1-800-949-4232

\*If Jim does not answer, ask for someone else...they are all pretty helpful. Do not advocate for you but will answer questions: (e.g., How to speak to your employer about accommodations; Is this kind of accommodation ADA approved?)

#### **Brain Injury Association of Nebraska (BIA-NE)**

Peggy Reisher, MSW  
Executive Director  
Brain Injury Association of Nebraska  
2424 Ridge Point Circle  
Lincoln, NE 68512  
[peggy@biane.org](mailto:peggy@biane.org)  
Office (402) 423-2463  
Cell (402) 890-0606  
[www.biane.org/](http://www.biane.org/)

#### **Hotline for Disability Services**

Information and referral for Nebraska

Shari Bahensky

1-800-742-7594

402-471-0801

victoria.rasmussen@nebraska.gov OR [shari.bahensky@nebraska.gov](mailto:shari.bahensky@nebraska.gov)

#### **Client Assistance Program**

Vicki Rasmussen

301 Centennial Mall South, Box 94987

Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

in Lincoln:

471-3656 V/TT or

in Nebraska but outside Lincoln, toll free:

1-800-742-7594 V/TT



e-mail: [victoria.rasmussen@nebraska.gov](mailto:victoria.rasmussen@nebraska.gov)

The Nebraska Client Assistance Program (CAP) is a free service to help you find solutions if you are having problems with any of the following programs:

- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Nebraska Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
- Centers for Independent Living

### **Easter Seals Nebraska Disability Services**

([ne.easterseals.com](http://ne.easterseals.com))

Easter Seals Nebraska provides exceptional services to help ensure all people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to live, learn, work and play.

If you have comments, questions and concerns, or would like more information on Easter Seals Nebraska services, please contact Vice President of Community Services, Mike Tufte, at [mtufte@ne.easterseals.com](mailto:mtufte@ne.easterseals.com) or Vice President of Employment and Professional Services, Angie Howell at [ahowell@ne.easterseals.com](mailto:ahowell@ne.easterseals.com). You may also click on the Services link to the left and contact the Director or Coordinator of each program area directly.

You can also reach Easter Seals Nebraska at:

402-345-2200 (voice)

402-345-2500 (fax)

800-650-9880 (toll-free)

Or, via regular mail at:

Easter Seals Nebraska

12565 West Center Road Suite 100

Omaha, NE 68144-8144

### **Madonna's Outpatient and Assessment Coordinator**

Bruce Waddington

402-413-3799

Fax: 402-413-3797

### **Immanuel Hospital**

Anne Hupka

Brain Injury Case Manager

W: 402-572-2139; C: 402-680-7861

[anne.hupka@alegent.org](mailto:anne.hupka@alegent.org)

### **Nebraska State Stroke Association**

Marcia Matthies

P.O. Box 67274

Lincoln, NE 68506

402-499-4209

[matthies.marcia@hotmail.com](mailto:matthies.marcia@hotmail.com)

**State Ombudsperson-Brain Injury/Brain Injury Community Center**

Gina Simanek

UNL-Burnett Hall

Cell: 402-327-0120

Ombudsperson #: 1-800-444-6443

[gina@biane.org](mailto:gina@biane.org); [gsimanek@neb.rr.com](mailto:gsimanek@neb.rr.com)

**Nebraska Respite Network**

1-866-737-7483

**AgriAbility**

(Agriculture support for Nebraskans with disabilities and their families)

1-800-471-6425

Part of Easter Seals

[www.agrability.unl.edu](http://www.agrability.unl.edu)

**League of Human Dignity**

The source for information and resources for people with disabilities (Serving Lincoln, Omaha, Council Bluffs, Norfolk, Fremont, Scottsbluff, Kearney and North Platte)

<http://www.leagueofhumandignity.com/>

-Lincoln Center for Independent Living

1701 P Street

Lincoln, NE 68508

402-441-7871

FAX: 402-441-7650

[info@leagueofhumandignity.co](mailto:info@leagueofhumandignity.co)

-5513 Center Street

Omaha, NE 68106

402-595-1256

FAX: 402-595-1410

[Oinfo@leagueofhumandignity.com](mailto:Oinfo@leagueofhumandignity.com)

**Medicaid/Department of Health and Human Services**

402-471-6035

**Medicare/Social Security Administration/Ticket to Work**

Easter Seals: Donna Inness: 402-483-0240

866-593-2880

**Applying for Medicaid to see if you qualify:**

Link for medicaid application. Website gives guidelines to see if you will qualify.

[www.dhhs.ne.gov](http://www.dhhs.ne.gov)

**Legal Aid**  
877-250-2016

**ACCESSNebraska: Nebraska Public Assistance Access**

The quick, easy way to find and apply for Nebraska public assistance benefits  
220 S. 17th St., Lincoln, NE 68509  
[www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov](http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov)

-Serena Reeves  
Community Support Specialist, DHHS  
Southeast Service Area  
Division of Children and Family Services  
ACCESSNebraska  
O: 402-471-9233  
Fax: 402-471-9286  
[serena.reeves@nebraska.gov](mailto:serena.reeves@nebraska.gov)

-Rajeana Harris  
Community Support Specialist  
Southeast Service Area  
Division of Children and Family Services  
ACCESSNebraska  
O: 402-471-9244  
Fax: 402-471-9286  
[rajeana.harris@nebraska.gov](mailto:rajeana.harris@nebraska.gov)

**Vocational/Day Programs**

**Assistive Technology Partnership (ATP):** Connects people with assistive technology devices and services.

**-3901 N. 27th Street, Suite 5 Lincoln, NE 68521**  
Toll Free: 888.806.6287; Phone: 402.471.0734; Fax: 402.471.6052

**-1313 Farnam on the Mall Omaha, NE 68102**  
Toll Free: 877.201.4141; Phone: 402.595.1923; FAX: 402.471.6052

**-315 W. 60th Street, Suite 300 Kearney, NE 68845**  
Toll Free: 800.683.6699; Phone: 308.865.5349; FAX: 308.865.5322

**-505 A Broadway Suite 500 Scottsbluff, NE 69361**  
Phone: 308.632.1332; FAX: 308.632.1392

**VODEC (Omaha/Council Bluffs, Iowa)**

Vocational Development Center, (VODEC) is a private, non-profit 501 (c)(3) corporation

founded in 1968. We provide vocational, residential, and day services for persons with intellectual disabilities.

[www.vodec.org](http://www.vodec.org)

712-328-2638

**Nebraska Vocational Rehabilitation:** provides information about vocational services in your area of the state of Nebraska (Omaha, Lincoln, Fremont, Columbus, Grand Island, Kearney, Norfolk, North Platte, Scottsbluff, South Sioux City)

1-877-637-3422

**-Vocational Rehabilitation**

3901 N. 27th St., Suite #6

Lincoln, NE

402-471-3231

**-Vocational Rehabilitation**

1313 Farnam on the Mall

Omaha, NE 68102

402-595-2100

800-554-3382 Toll Free

402-595-1125 Fax

**Easterday Recreation Center-Lincoln:**

Day Programs

2740 A St.

Lincoln, NE 68502

<http://lincoln.ne.gov/city/parks/programs/info/easterday.htm>

402-441-7901; Office: 402-441-7847

**Employment Works-Norfolk:**

Employment and Residential Programs

1203 South 8th St.

Norfolk, NE 68701

402-371-1011

<http://www.employmentworksinc.com/>

**Goodwill Brain Injury Program:**

1804 S. Eddy St.

Grand Island, NE 68801

Phone: 308-384-7896

\*\*Serves Grand Island, Hastings and Kearney areas. Need to go through Vocational Rehabilitation services initially before you are able to get into the Goodwill Brain Injury Program. Behavioral problems are not focused on here, only employment skills.

**Village Northwest Unlimited**

Employment, Residential, and therapeutic services

330 Village Circle  
Sheldon, IA 51201  
PHONE: (712) 324-4873  
FAX: (712) 324-4877  
<http://www.villagenorthwest.org/>

### **Nebraska Ticket to Work**

a centralized source of information for *people with disabilities* who wish to explore competitive employment opportunities, *employers* who want to find dedicated, talented workers and *professionals who serve both groups*.

<http://nebraskatickettowork.org/>

### **Attorneys**

**Legal Aid**  
877-250-2016

### **Atwood, Holsten, Brown, Deaver & Spier Law, P.C., L.L.O**

**\*Travis Spier**

**Workers Compensation and Personal Injury**

**Lincoln Office** 1133 H Street Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: 402-817-2717 Toll Free: 800-655-9606

Fax: 402-476-4410

**Omaha Office** 14301 First National Bank Parkway,  
Suite 100 Omaha, NE 68154 Phone: 402-858-4500

### **Keating, O'Gara, Nedved & Peter, PC, LLO**

Paul J. Peter

530 South 13th Street, Suite 100

Lincoln, NE 68508

Phone: (402) 475-8230

FAX: (402) 475-8328

E-Mail: [pjpeter@keatinglaw.com](mailto:pjpeter@keatinglaw.com)

### **Disability Rights Nebraska**

Tania Diaz

The Center for Disability Rights, Law and Advocacy-The protection and advocacy center for TBI (employment, school, other law suits)

134 S 13th St # 600 Lincoln, NE 68508-1930

(402) 474-3183

1-800-422-6691

Fax: 402-474-3274

[www.disabilityrightsnebraska.org](http://www.disabilityrightsnebraska.org)

**Smith Peterson Law Firm, LLP**

Marvin O. Kieckhafer – Attorney at law  
35 Main Place, Ste. 300  
P.O. Box 249  
Council Bluffs, IA 51502  
O: 712-328-1833  
C: 402-490-5225

**Hauptman, O'Brien, Wolf and Lathrop, P.C.**

Steve Lathrop/Personal Injury  
1005 South 107th Avenue  
Suite 200  
Omaha, NE 68114  
402-390-9000  
Cell: 402-290-8258  
E-mail: [slathrop@hauptman-obrien.net](mailto:slathrop@hauptman-obrien.net)

**Monzon Law Firm**

Carlos A. Monzon  
The Mill Towne Building  
650 "J" Street #401  
Lincoln, NE 68508  
(402) 477-8188

**Insurance/Workers Compensation**

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Phone: 402-817-2717 Toll Free: 800-655-9606  
Fax: 402-476-4410

**Omaha Office** 14301 First National Bank Parkway,  
Suite 100 Omaha, NE 68154 Phone: 402-858-4500

**Laurie Lowe**

Workers Compensation Lawyer  
1614 L St., Lincoln, NE 68508  
402-484-7700

**Rodney Rehm: Rehm, Bennett and Moore**

Workers Compensation Lawyer  
3701 Union Dr., Ste. 200  
Lincoln, NE 68516

402-420-1400

**Nancy Freburg**

Workers Compensation Lawyer  
322 West 39<sup>th</sup> St.  
P.O. Box 1060  
Kearney, NE 68848  
308-234-5779

**SS/SSDI Insurance/Disability**

**State Ombudsman/Disability**

Marla Fischer-Lempke  
Issues with Medicaid or any agency  
402-471-2035

**Mary Kay Hansen**

BI Disability lawyer  
1045 Lincoln Mall  
Suite 200  
Lincoln, NE 68508  
402-477-0230 Ext. 4  
Toll Free: 866-381-3288  
Fax: 402-436-3030

Helpful Resource Internet Pages:

[mkhansenlaw.com](http://mkhansenlaw.com)

[lincolndisabilitylawyer.com](http://lincolndisabilitylawyer.com)

**Area Colleges/Universities**

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln**

Center for Students with Disabilities  
Veva Cheney  
132 Administration Building  
Lincoln, NE 68588  
402-472-3787

**University of Nebraska-Omaha**

Disability Office  
Katie Clark  
(402) 554-2872

**Southeast Community College**

**Greg Peters – Career Advisor/Disability Service Provider** Lincoln Campus:  
[gpeters@southeast.edu](mailto:gpeters@southeast.edu) ; 402-437-2623

Student Support Services:

Lincoln- 402-437-2799

Beatrice- 402-228-8210

Milford- 402-761-8243

**Traumatic Brain Injury Implementation Partnership Grant**

Peggy Reisher, MSW

Executive Director

Brain Injury Association of Nebraska

2424 Ridge Point Circle

Lincoln, NE 68512

[peggy@biane.org](mailto:peggy@biane.org)

Office [\(402\) 423-2463](tel:(402)423-2463)

Cell [\(402\) 890-0606](tel:(402)890-0606)

Bonnie Bessler

Transition Assistance Advisor

2400 NW 24<sup>th</sup> St. (Mailing)

2411 Butler Ave. (Physical address)

Lincoln, NE 68524

402-309-1543

Viola Raschke

Director of Psychological Health

1300 Military Rd.

Lincoln, NE 68508

402-314-4092

**Artistic Endeavors**

**Live YES Studios**

330 South 13th St.

Lincoln, NE 68508

402-261-3528

<http://www.liveyesstudios.com/>

**Art Planet**

Tamera Weber

402-610-2295

[www.artplanetlincoln.com](http://www.artplanetlincoln.com)

E-mail: [hello@artplanetlincoln.com](mailto:hello@artplanetlincoln.com)



**Hildegard Center for the Arts**

PO Box 5304 Lincoln, NE 68505

Phone: 488-0678

Email: [info@hildegardcenter.org](mailto:info@hildegardcenter.org)

Youtube: [www.youtube.com/hildegardcenter](http://www.youtube.com/hildegardcenter) Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/hildegardcenter](http://www.facebook.com/hildegardcenter)

**Health and Medical Equipment Loan Program (HELP)**

HELP Adult Services

The Center, 1941 S. 42<sup>nd</sup> St., Ste. 200

Omaha, NE 68105

402-341-6559 Hrs. 9-5pm M-F

[www.helpadultservices.org](http://www.helpadultservices.org)