

# The 2024 Brain Injury Survivor Series via ZOOM

Please join the Brain Injury Hope Foundation (BIHF) for another year of exciting and interactive survivor series designed just for YOU! We explore ways to achieve a better life for people with BI and Post Traumatic Stress (PTS). These sessions will help you accomplish your definition of success. Spouses, family, friends, and professionals who serve the BI community are welcome AND other communities (ABI, Stroke, Parkinson's, MS, etc.) are welcome too.

Sessions will be on ZOOM until further notice!

https://www.braininjuryhopefoundation.org/events/



1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mountain time

## Addressing Brain Injury, Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder (Addiction)

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Join Gayann Brandenburg, President of The Brain Injury Hope Foundation, for an important topic and issue that many individuals in the brain injury community face—mental health and/or substance use disorder (addiction). A panel of experts will address the many facets of this topic, including resources and specialty treatment options that will lend support and help. Panelists include: Rachel Michaud, PA-C, Family Care Center; Danielle Neva Meyer, DSS, BSP; and others to be announced. Please join us for this informative session! This session is sponsored by MINDSOURCE-Brain Injury Network.



## PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE AT www.braininjuryhopefoundation.org

## Please register by February 6th, 2024

Registration is donation-funded so there is no cost to participants. If you do not have a computer with a camera, you can call in. All who register will receive an email reminder with the zoom link a few days prior to the event.

## TIME ZONES: Please check your time zone

- 12 noon—1:30 pm Pacific 1 pm—2:30 pm Mountain 2 pm—3:30 pm Central
- 3 pm—4:30 pm Eastern

QUESTIONS? Contact Joanne Cohen at: (720)389-0670 ext. 2 TECHNICAL QUESTIONS on day of event? Text Gayann Brandenburg at 303-349-4058 before the event.

## **SPONSORS**

Upper Tier Sponsors: Dr. Steve and Debbie Cohen, Dr. Danny Mistry, MINDSOURCE, and

thank you to many in our BI Community who also made generous donations.

We are looking for additional sponsors for 2024. Please contact a BIHF board member if you have any ideas!

All sessions are the second Friday of each month 1 pm—2:30 pm Mountain time. If you do not receive our emails for the Survivor Series, please email BIHF at info@braininjuryhopefoundation.org.

## The 2024 BI Survivor Series



## Your Host/Panel Facilitator: Joanne Cohen, M.A., CBIS/Vice-President of the Brain Injury Hope Foundation and Managing Partner, CTAT, LLC

Joanne was in a car accident in 1992 while vacationing in the Bahamas. Her life was forever changed. She was unable to walk and a year later she discovered many of her personal challenges were due to a traumatic brain injury (TBI). Joanne has overcome many obstacles and has exceeded her medical diagnosis, leading to a remarkable and inspirational story and recovery, then and again in 2014 and 2019.

Joanne published her first book in June, 2019, Getting Hit, Getting Up, Moving Beyond: My Journey Through Brain Injury, a compelling story of her challenges as she faced sequential "hits" and how she handled adversity with resilience time after time. She depicts the path to "moving beyond" and create a full life that includes tools to do so, many that can now be used as we are all "hit" with the Covid-19 crisis. Her book is available at Amazon.com or BarnesandNoble.com





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#### Integrated Approach to Diagnose and Treat Concussive Brain Injury

Dr. Danny Mistry, MD, ATC of the Aasha Clinic in Ft. Collins, CO; Dr. Mary Ann Keatley, Ph.D., CCC and co-Founder of the Brain Injury Hope Foundation; and Dr. Jan Lemmon, Ph.D., Neuropsychologist are well known in the Brain Injury field and have helped thousands of people with brain injury in their long careers. Please join these esteemed panelists as they discuss integrated approaches to diagnose and treat concussive brain injury.

#### A Guide to Cyber Security for Brain Injury Survivors

## April 12

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Cyber Security is a critical and necessary issue for all of us to address. Join author of RELAX: A Guide to True Cyber Security, Ken Fanger MBA, CMMC-RP, On Technology Partners and member of the National Guard Cyber Reserve and Marguerite Chan the Chief Experience Officer of Integrative IT. The panelists will teach you how to protect yourself from scammers and hackers and provide valuable insights into a topic that is relevant today and in the future. Real stories and SIMPLE WAYS and steps to protect your email and personal information will help you relax and feel safe. By sharing their personal journeys related to the vulnerability of having cognitive challenges that occur through TBI and other neurological issues, they will help the audience gain knowledge and information on cyber security.

#### How to Find Purpose After Brain Related Cognitive Impairments

## **May 10**

Please join Joanna Fix, Ph.D. (Living with Alzheimer's disease) and Kelly Osthoff, MA; BI Survivors Danielle Neva Meyer, DSS, BSP; Amy Zellmer, author and speaker; Joanne Cohen, M.A., CBIS for an enlightening conversation on how each person has found their sense of purpose after one or multiple brain injuries (and Alzheimer's for Joanna.) They will discuss what gift(s) each has obtained as a result of their cognitive impairments as well as the gratitude they express and experience to thrive and help others.