Useful Links

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you know of any relevant links that would benefit the sufferers or families of those with Acquired Brain Injuries.
Please click to view details:-

Accommodation

BIAQ
The Brain Injury Association of Qld (BIAQ) operates a supported accommodation service. Co-tenanted houses have staff to assist with personal care, voluntary work and community involvement etc. Individuals need to have an ABI and funding (either own money or government funding).

Through the Interface Project, BIAQ additionally offers various accommodation and support options for individuals who need assistance to live in the community.

Through YPIRAC Assessment and Options Planning Service, BIAQ also aims to assist younger people with an ABI who reside in aged care facilities to more suitable accommodation.

3/162 Petrie Terrace Brisbane 4000
Post: PO Box 1519, Milton QLD 4064
T: (07) 3367 1049 (Brisbane) or 1800 673 074 (regional)
F: (07) 3367 1053
E: biaq@braininjury.org.au
W: http://braininjury.org.au

Casuarina Lodge
Casuarina Lodge provides residential accommodation and slow stream rehabilitation to young people with an ABI.

New Lindum Road, Wynnum West, Qld 4178
P: (07) 3893 8437
F: (07) 3348 4506

Disability Services Qld (DSQ)
Provides accommodation support, whereby people with intellectual disabilities share support services and facilities through

community living. Assistance is provided by staff who are employed by DSQ.

T: (07) 3224 8444 or 1800 177 120
F: (07) 3896 3467
TTY: (07) 3896 3471 or 1800 010 222
E: disabilityinfo@disability.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.disability.qld.gov.au

DSQ also have a Younger People in Residential Aged Care Initiative. This provides alternative support options for younger people (under 50 years) who are inappropriately placed in aged care facilities.

Contact Lesley Moss, Principal Program Officer, Program Development on (07) 323 59677

Headway Gold Coast
Offers fully supported residential accommodation which is staffed full time by trained support workers. Also offers supported accommodation to assist clients and promote independence. Service extends from Tweed Heads to Beenleigh.

25 Woodlands Way, Arundel Qld 4214 Gold Coast
Post: PO Box 3207, Southport Qld 4215 Gold Coast
P: (07) 5574 4311
F: (07) 5574 5843
W: http://www.headwaygoldcoast.org

Jacanda Centre for Acquired Brain Injured Rehabilitation and Residential Care
The Jacanda Centre for Acquired Brain Injured Rehabilitation and Residential Care is a 50 bed speciality complex. The Jacanda Centre provides rehabilitation and residential accommodation. Respite beds are also available.

99 Hoyland Street, Bracken Ridge Qld 4017
P: (07) 3261 3311
F: (07) 3261 2672

Open Minds
Provides long term, furnished and affordable housing to people on low incomes with intellectual or psychiatric disability who have the ability to live independently.

66 Annerley Road, Woolloongabba, Qld, 4102
T: (07) 3891 3711
F: (07) 3393 2643
W: http://www.openminds.org.au

Advocacy

BIAQ
The Brain Injury Association of Qld (BIAQ) provides resources for self-advocacy through their program 'Be Real'.

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F: (07) 3367 1053
E: biaq@braininjury.org.au
W: http://braininjury.org.au

Headway Gold Coast
Advocacy for clients with ABI and their families.

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P: (07) 5574 4311
F: (07) 5574 5843
W: http://www.headwaygoldcoast.org

Office of the Public Advocate
The Office of the Public Advocate is committed to protecting the rights of people with impaired capacity. It does not deal with

individual people, but concerns widespread deficiencies in institutions and services, which affect a large number of people.

Level 1 State Law Building, 50 Ann Street, Brisbane Qld 4000
P: 07 3224 7424
F: 07 3224 7364

Mackay Advocacy
Offers individual advocacy
Shop 5 City Court Arcade, 78 Victoria Street, Mackay Qld 4740
P: (07) 4957 8710
F: (07) 4957 8865

Carers

Bayside Respite Care Association
Provides care for people aged 17 to 55 years with a disability.

2667 Old Cleveland Road, Chandler Qld 4155
P: 07 33902093
F: 07 33902093

Blue Care
Head Office P: 3377 3377

Carer Respite Centres:
Sandgate Blue Care Respite Services, 50 Ibis Avenue Deagon Qld 4017. P: 07 3869 7777
Commonwealth Carer Respite Centre, 71 East Street, Ipswich Qld 4305. P: 07 3813 7600
Ipswich Blue Care Respite Centre, 77 Limestone Street, Ipswich Qld 4305. P 07 3812 1499
Lockyer Blue Care Community Care Services, 1 North Street

Gatton Qld 4343. P: 07 5462 1834
Redbank Blue Care Respite Centre, 24 Brisbane Road, Redbank Qld 4301. P: 07 3818 1618
Commonwealth Care Respite centre – Far North Qld, 274 Mulgrave Road Cairns Qld 4870. P: 1800 059 059
Caloundra Respite Service, 49 Cooroora Street, Dicky Beach Qld 4551. P: 07 5492 6144
Coolum Beach Blue Care Respite Services, 10 Fourwinds Ave Coolum Beach 4573. P 5446 3877
Murgon Blue Care Respite, 55 Gore Street, Murgon 4605, P: 07 4168 1717

Carers Qld Information and Support Line
Provides information on services in Queensland and referral to appropriate services.

972 Logan Road, Holland Park Qld 4121
P: 1800 242 636

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P: (07) 3893 8437
F: (07) 3348 4506

Commonwealth Carer's Respite Centre
Respite service for carers.
P: 1800 059 059
W: http://www.health.gov.au

Commonwealth Carelink Centre
Provides information on many different types of support services.

P: 1800 052 222
W: http://www9.health.gov.au/ccsd/index.cfm

Disability Services Qld
Family Support Program for individuals with disability and their families. Includes long term and short term support.

T: (07) 3224 8444 or 1800 177 120
F: (07) 3896 3467
TTY: (07) 3896 3471 or 1800 010 222
E: disabilityinfo@disability.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.disability.qld.gov.au

Queensland Government

Friends of Brain Injury Children
14 Munro Street, Auchenflower Qld 4066
P: 07 3623 9199

Headway Gold Coast
Provides day respite centre facility.

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P: (07) 5574 4311
F: (07) 5574 5843
W: http://www.headwaygoldcoast.org

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P: (07) 3261 3311
F: (07) 3261 2672

Community

BIAQ
The Brain Injury Association of Queensland (BIAQ) operates a community response service. Individuals can contact the call centre to discuss information and be referred to services.

Contact:
3/162 Petrie Terrace Brisbane 4000
Post: PO Box 1519, Milton QLD 4064
T: (07) 3367 1049 (Brisbane) or 1800 673 074 (regional)
F: (07) 3367 1053
E: biaq@braininjury.org.au
W: http://braininjury.org.au

Blue care
Provides domestic assistance. Contact the head office to find services in your local area.

Head Office P: (07) 3377 3377
W: http://www.bluecare.org.au

Disability Services Qld
Friendship program - encourages friendships between people with a disability and other members of the community.

T: (07) 3224 8444 or 1800 177 120
F: (07) 3896 3467
TTY: (07) 3896 3471 or 1800 010 222
E: disabilityinfo@disability.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.disability.qld.gov.au

Disability Services Qld
Local Area Coordination is an approach to supporting people with a disability and their families living in local communities.

Assisting young people with a disability to make the transition from school to adult life and plan to achieve future goals –

employment, further education, training etc.

4RPH - 1296 AM
Community radio station that is beneficial for people who cannot assimilate or read information in print form. Readings are taken from newspapers, mags, short stories etc. Broadcasts 24 hrs per day . $RPH – 1296 Am Band. Membership $20, joining fee $10 per annum.

1ST FL/ 35 ASTOR TCE SPRING HILL 4000
P: (07) 3831 1296
F: (07) 3831 8099
E: radio4rphnews@uq.net.au

Meals on Wheels Inc
Provides meals to the home. Contact the head office for services in your local area.
Head Office: Ground Floor: 295 Anne Street, Brisbane Qld 4000
P: (07) 3221 9841
F: (07) 3229 0340

Employment

CRS Australia
The CRS Australia ABI Specialist Services Unit assists people with an ABI to obtain and keep their job.
P: (07) 3247 1500
W: http://www.crsaustralia.gov.au

East Specialised Employment Groups
Provides job training and support and assists employers with job creation.

828 Old Cleveland Road, Carina, Qld 4152
P: (07) 3324 9944

Headway Gold Coast
Provides pre-employment training

25 Woodlands Way, Arundel Qld 4214 Gold Coast
Post: PO Box 3207, Southport Qld 4215 Gold Coast
P: (07) 5574 4311
F: (07) 5574 5843
W: http://www.headwaygoldcoast.org

Open Minds
Operates Open Minds Employment Agency. Offers free recruitment to businesses, provides support to employer and employee and vocational assistance to clients.

66 Annerley Road, Woolloongabba, Qld, 4102
T: (07) 3891 3711
F: (07) 3393 2643
W: http://www.openminds.org.au

Ostara Employment
Specialist employment services for people who have difficulty finding and retaining employment as a result of their health.

PO Box 2055, Rangeview VIC 3132
T: 1300 656 294
F: (03) 8802 4492
E: info@ostara.org.au
W: http://www.ostara.org.au/index.htm

Legal

Guardianship and Administration Tribunal
The Guardianship and Administration Tribunal protects the rights of individuals who are unable to make decisions because they have impaired capacity. The Tribunal is able to appoint guardians and administrators for adults who have impaired capacity.

Level 9, 259 Queen Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000
Post: GPO Box 1639, Brisbane Qld 4001
P: (07) 3234 0666 or 1300 780 666
F: (07) 3221 9156
E: guardianship@justice.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.justice.qld.gov.au/guardian/gaat/contact.htm

Queensland Government

Office of the Adult Guardian
The Office of the Adult Guardian protects the rights and interests of people with impaired capacity. The Office of Adult Guardian can investigate complaints of abuse or neglect of people with impaired capacity.

Level 3, Brisbane Magistrates Courts Complex, 363 George Street, Brisbane Qld
Post: PO Box 13554, George Street, Brisbane Qld 4003
T: (07) 3234 0870
F: (07) 3239 6367
E: adult.guardian@justice.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.justice.qld.gov.au/guardian/ag.htm

Queensland Government

Lifestyle Support

BIAQ
The Brain Injury Association of Queensland (BIAQ) develops and maintains independent living skills for people with an ABI, through their Greater Brisbane Support Service program. They also offer home management, community access and personal care. To access this service, individuals need to have an ABI, live in greater Brisbane and have funds (either of their own or government funding).

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Post: PO Box 1519, Milton QLD 4064
T: (07) 3367 1049 (Brisbane) or 1800 673 074 (regional)

F: (07) 3367 1053
E: biaq@braininjury.org.au
W: http://braininjury.org.au

Commonwealth Carelink Centre
The Commonwealth Carelink Centre offers support for independent living.
P: 1800 052 222
W: http://www9.health.gov.au/ccsd/index.cfm

Disability Services Qld
Assists in maintaining living arrangements by choice and participation in the community.

T: (07) 3224 8444 or 1800 177 120
F: (07) 3896 3467
TTY: (07) 3896 3471 or 1800 010 222
E: mailto:disabilityinfo@disability.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.disability.qld.gov.au

Queensland Government

Headway Gold Coast
Offers independent living training to individuals with an ABI. Service extends from Tweed Head to Beenleigh.

25 Woodlands Way, Arundel Qld 4214 Gold Coast
Post: PO Box 3207, Southport Qld 4215 Gold Coast
P: (07) 5574 4311
F: (07) 5574 5843

Open Minds
Open Minds offers support to living independently.

66 Annerley Road, Woolloongabba, Qld, 4102
T: (07) 3891 3711
F: (07) 3393 2643
W: http://www.openminds.org.au

Recreation

Headway Gold Coast
The Headway Gold Coast Respite Centre provides recreation programs for clients, Monday to Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

25 Woodlands Way, Arundel Qld 4214 Gold Coast
Post: PO Box 3207, Southport Qld 4215 Gold Coast
P: (07) 5574 4311
F: (07) 5574 5843
W: http://www.headwaygoldcoast.org

Sunshine Holidays
Supported holidays and travel options in Australia and overseas for adults with ABI. Offers group and individual holidays

Postal: PO Box 1491, Noosaville Qld 4566
P: 1800 786 744
E: hello@sunshineholidays.org
W: http://www.sunshineholidays.org

Rehabilitation

ABIOS (Acquired Brain Injury Outreach Service)
ABIOS is a specialist community-based rehabilitation service. ABIOS sets up formal networks of support and provides training to families. ABIOS also refers to individuals to other relevant rehabilitation and support services. ABIOS is associated with the Princess Alexandra Hospital.

Level 3, TripleCee, Buranda Office Tower, 264 Ipswich Road, Buranda Q 4102
Post: PO Box 6053, Buranda Qld 4102
P: (07) 3406 2311
F: (07) 3406 2399
E: mailto:abios@health.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.health.qld.gov.au/abios

BIAQ
The Brain Injury Association of Qld (BIAQ) operates a Behavioural

Consultancy Service for families and services who are involved with individuals who display challenging behaviour.

3/162 Petrie Terrace Brisbane 4000
Post: PO Box 1519, Milton QLD 4064
T: (07) 3367 1049 (Brisbane) or 1800 673 074 (regional)
F: (07) 3367 1053
E: biaq@braininjury.org.au
W: http://braininjury.org.au

Brain Injured Child After Care Recovery
Provides hospital to home therapy program for severely brain injured children.

7 Gregory Street, Tainga Qld 4068
P: (07) 3371 1952
F: (07) 3371 1953

Casuarina Lodge
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New Lindum Road, Wynnum West, Qld 4178
P: (07) 3893 8437
F: (07) 3348 4506

Children's Therapy Unit
Provides assessment and therapy treatment to children from ages 0 to 18 years.
Provides treatment in the areas of physiotherapy, speech therapy, occupational therapy. Also provides counselling to children and parents.

Woody Point Special School, Georgina Street, Woody Point Qld 4019
P: (07) 32834480
F: (07) 3889 3192

Disability Services Qld
Provides behaviour assessment, consultation, education, training

etc.
Staff includes specialists such as psychologists, occupational therapists, speech and language pathologists and resource officers.

Name: Michael Keates
T: (07) 3008 5132
E: michael.keates@disability.qld.gov.au

Headway Gold Coast
Headway Gold Coast provides individual rehabilitation programs. Services include an in-house gymnasium and staff to assist with rehabilitation. Service extends from Tweed Head to Beenleigh.

25 Woodlands Way, Arundel Qld 4214 Gold Coast
Post: PO Box 3207, Southport Qld 4215 Gold Coast
P: (07) 5574 4311
F: (07) 5574 5843
W: http://www.headwaygoldcoast.org

Ipswich Community Access Disability Services
66 Roderick Street, Ipswich Qld 4035
P: (07) 3282 8259
F: (07) 3282 8279

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Neuropsychology
A neuropsychologist studies changes in thinking and behaviour

that may be caused by brain injury or dysfunction. A neuropsychologist can assist cognitive, emotional and behavioural difficulties with assessment and rehabilitation.

Contact the Australian Psychological Society to find a neuropsychologist.
Australian Psychological Society Referral Service
P: 1800 333 497
E: referrals@psychology.org.au
W: http://www.psychology.org.au

Occupational Therapy
An occupational therapist can assist a person to overcome limitations, caused by injury or illness, in order for that person to participate and complete activities in day to day life. Occupational therapists assess individuals in their home, work and school environment before developing a program that aims to maximize a person's independence.

Contact the Australia Association of Occupational Therapists to find a occupational therapist.
6/340 Gore Street, Fitzroy, Vic 3065
T: (03) 9415 2900
F: (03) 9416 1421
E: info@ausot.com.au
W: http://www.ausot.com.au

Options Communication Therapy Centre
Speech and communication services for children and adults
21 Marsden Road, Kallangur Qld 4503
P: (07) 3285 5522

Physiotherapy

Physiotherapy use techniques such as massage and exercise to treat the underlying cause of joint muscle and nerve injuries.

Contact the Australian Physiotherapy Association to find a physiotherapist.
Level 3, 201 Fitzroy Street, St Kilda, Melbourne, Vic 3182
P: (03) 9534 9400
F: (03) 9534 9199
E: National.Office@physiotherapy.asn.au
W: http://www.physiotherapy.asn.au

Speech Pathology

A speech pathologist assesses and treats people who have swallowing and communication problems (which may have resulted from an ABI).

Contact Speech Pathology Australia to find a speech pathologist.
2nd Floor, 11-19 Bank Place, Melbourne, Vic 3000
P: (03) 9642 4899
F: (03) 9642 4922
W: http://www.speechpathologyaustralia.org.au

Therapy Options

Provides consultancy or therapy for people who have difficulties in arm and hand tightness due to muscle tightness or spasm

Occupational Therapy Dept, UQ, St Lucia, Qld 4067
P: (07) 3892 3782
F: (07) 3892 2203

Walwa Unit
Located in the Baillie Henderson Health Services Grounds, the Walwa unit provides rehabilitation in a living and learning environment.

Cnr Hogg & Tor Street, Toowoomba Qld 4350
P: (07) 4699 8888

Training

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F: (07) 3406 2399
E: abios@health.qld.gov.au
W: http://www.health.qld.gov.au/abios

BIAQ
The Brain Injury Association of Queensland (BIAQ) provides training programs in the introduction to ABI, providing behaviour support, consequential behaviour management and client specific training

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F: (07) 3367 1053
E: biaq@braininjury.org.au
W: http://braininjury.org.au

Open Minds
Accredited as Registered Training Organisation.

Offers courses on
- Mental Health First Aid Training
- Pre-employment training
- First aid workshops.

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