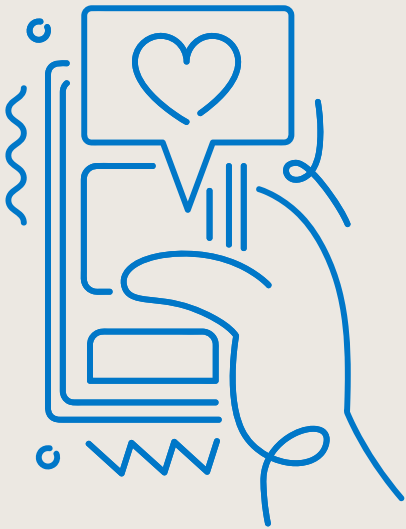


Brain Injury and Domestic Violence

Any acts of violence that cause harm to the face, neck, or head can lead to a brain injury, this includes being choked or strangled. In domestic violence, brain injury is often underreported, can occur over many incidents and can range in severity. If you believe you have had an injury to your face, neck or head you should speak with your medical provider, especially if you have side effects of a brain injury.

Supporting Survivors



Survivors may have physical, cognitive, emotional, and/or behavioral issues resulting from the brain injury. Other components like physical or mental health challenges, substance use, other traumatic circumstances, or a combination of these may also complicate healing and might make it difficult to access support services that truly meet their needs.

You can find CARE Promising Practices at ODVN.org to learn more about supporting victims of brain injury with a history of DV.

Long Term Impacts

- Anxiety, depression, PTSD, other psychological disturbances
- Seizures, numbness, Headaches and other neurological disorders
- Sensitivity to sensory changes
- Poor sleep, executive dysfunction, memory and concentration difficulties

Signs emergency care might be needed



- There is immediate danger
- Passing out/loss of consciousness
- Difficulty breathing
- Difficulty speaking or walking
- Vomiting or unable to control bodily functions
- Worsening headaches or seizures

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