

DEFINITIONS

Traumatic Brain Injury

To qualify for the Fund, an individual must have sustained a traumatic brain injury, which is defined as an injury to the brain caused by a blow or jolt to the head or a penetrating head injury that disrupts the normal brain function, where continued impairment can be demonstrated. This definition does not include cognitive impairment caused by congenital or degenerative disorders, birth trauma, or injuries caused by other circumstances.

Liquid Assets

Liquid assets include checking accounts, savings accounts, CDs, stocks and bonds. The Fund does not consider your primary home or your primary vehicle as liquid assets, nor does it consider your IRA or 401k, unless you are of retirement age.



Services and Supports

The Fund will consider supports and services that are related to your brain injury. These may include but are not limited to:

- ✓ Home modifications
- ✓ Assistive technology
- ✓ Neuropsychological services
- ✓ Physical, occupational, and speech therapies
- ✓ Service coordination
- ✓ Cognitive therapy
- ✓ Pharmaceuticals

How to Apply to the TBI Fund

Request a TBI Fund application by calling:
1-888-285-3036.



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The TBI Fund gives New Jersey residents of any age who have survived a traumatic brain injury the opportunity to access the brain injury-related services and supports they

need to live in the community. The Fund provides financial assistance to help foster independence and maximize quality of life when insurance, personal resources, and/or public programs are unavailable to meet those needs.



FUND FACTS

- Falls and motor vehicle crashes are among the top causes for TBI in New Jersey
- Every approved applicant is assigned a TBI Fund case manager, who works with the applicant to create a service support plan.
- The individual lifetime cap is \$100,000
- The Fund serves more than 3,500 New Jersey residents with a TBI

ELIGIBILITY

Fund recipients must:

- ✓ Provide medical documentation of a traumatic brain injury (TBI)
- ✓ Have liquid assets of less than \$100,000
- ✓ Be a resident of New Jersey for at least 90 consecutive days