

**Wanted for Brain Imaging Research:  
Children with Recent Traumatic Brain Injuries**

**UCLA Division of Child Psychiatry**

Children with Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI) frequently experience problems with various mental and cognitive functions in the months following an injury. Most children show substantial recovery in these functions during the course of the first year following a TBI. This National Institutes of Health (NIH) funded UCLA study examines the brain processes associated with recovery of cognitive functions, such as attention, learning, memory, and problem solving following a TBI in children and adolescents.

Eligible patients must be between 8 and 18 years old, speak English, have good vision without glasses (contacts are OK), and have experienced a moderate to severe TBI within approximately the last 2-4 months.

**Participants will undergo the following procedures *twice* within the span of one year:**

- **Two brain imaging exams (MRI), lasting less than 1 hour each**
- **Behavioral assessments of learning, memory and problem-solving skills, lasting approximately 3 hours**

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Interested families and patients will be asked to participate in a brief phone interview designed to determine if a child or adolescent is eligible to participate. Participants may earn up to \$300 by enrolling in the study and will receive free brain imaging exams (MRI) and a free neuropsychological evaluation with a clinical report to help with diagnostic clarification, treatment planning, and/or educational planning purposes. Reimbursements for travel expenses and lunch will also be arranged.

This study is being conducted by Robert Asarnow, PhD

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