

## **About**

This program offers information about brain injury for families. We encourage families & caregivers to attend. Open to all families and caregivers of patients with ABI (acquired, stroke TBI, tumor)

## **Topics Discussed**

- Effects of Brain Injury on the Survivor and the Family
- Understanding Recovery
- Solving Problems and Setting Goals
- Managing Stress and Intense Emotions

## Join Us

Where: Hooker 2 Solarium

When: Tuesdays from 4:30p.m.-5:30 p.m.,

Facilitator: Dorene Scolnic, LCSW

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If you are unable to attend in person, please contact Dorene Scolnic (dscolnic@gaylord.org) for alternative options to join.

## **Goals of Program**

- **1.** To provide families and caregivers with fundamental information about common symptoms and challenges after brain injury.
- 2. To help family members better understand how the injury has affected each member of the family and the family as a whole.
- **3.** To teach families and caregivers a variety of strategies which will enable them to problem solve more effectively and more efficiently achieve personal goals.
- **4.** To teach coping strategies that facilitate the process of emotional recovery, helping each family member to feel better about themselves.
- **5**. To instill hope by identifying progress and personal strengths.
- **6.** To teach family members effective communication skills in order to develop a strong, mutually beneficial long-term support system.

