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A background image showing a group of diverse people smiling and embracing each other. The image is partially obscured by a teal bar at the top and a red bar at the bottom.

# Traumatic Brain Injury: Roads to Recovery

## Project Outline

Traumatic brain injury (TBI) – also known as head injury – is a leading cause of death and disability worldwide. In Ireland, we do not know the number of people affected by head injury, nor the severity of the resultant disability, which makes it difficult to plan for healthcare services. This is the first study of its kind, focusing on prevalence of TBI and survivors' pathways through rehabilitation in Ireland.

## Project Team

This is a collaborative project involving DCU, Acquired Brain Injury Ireland, Headway, National Rehabilitation Hospital, Beaumont Hospital, Cork University Hospital, and Letterkenny University Hospital.

## Aims and Objectives

This project is designed to:

- Estimate the number of people with TBI
- Study how people use rehabilitation/community services
- Look at the consequences of TBI, for survivors, their families, health services and society
- Explore ideas for improving outcomes and building better health services for TBI survivors and their carers

## Methods

We will interview/survey survivors of moderate to severe TBI to map their experience and pathways through rehabilitation and others services. We will also interview/survey a number of family members/carers of those with TBI.



## How to get involved

A call for volunteers of people with TBI and carers of people with TBI, will be issued through our project partners.

If you or your organisation would like to get involved in this project, you can:

- Contact us directly
- Let your staff and your service users know about this study
- Share information about the study on your social media accounts

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