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# Then and Now: Using Arts-Based Reflection to Explore Self-Awareness Across a Decade of Living with Brain Injury

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# The Role of Executive Functioning in Substance Use Recovery Among Military Veterans and Service Members with TBI

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## Social Cognitive Outcomes Following Concussion in Early Childhood

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# Read anything good lately?": Evidence for Reduced Engagement with Leisure Texts after Brain Injury

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## Preliminary Validation of a Meaning-in-Life Scale in Adults with Concussion

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## Recovery and Long-term Outcome after Severe TBI and Disorders of Consciousness

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# Optimizing clinical care and research for right hemisphere brain damage: Translating evidence into action

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"One website change and it's like starting from the beginning again": User perspectives of dynamic assessment and digital communication in traumatic brain injury (TBI)

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## Narrative discourse ability in TBI: Influence of age, education, and sex.

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# Multiparty Communication after Traumatic Brain Injury: Development and Validation of the Multiparty Communication Questionnaire (MCQ)

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# Memory Ecological Momentary Intervention in Chronic Traumatic Brain Injury: Findings from a Mixed-Methods Pilot Study

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"Is it because I'm Black?": Perceptions of Healthcare Experiences by Black Americans with Brain Injuries.

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Introducing Story-ABI-lity: A Co-Designed, Narrative-Based Intervention for Cognitive-Communication Disorders after Traumatic Brain Injury

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# Intensive Attention Training Using Attention Process Training-3 (APT-3) for Long COVID-Related Brain Fog: Design and Acceptability

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# "I'm sure I could be conned again somehow": Pilot North American CyberABIlity Adaptation

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# Inpatient cognitive-communication interventions following Traumatic Brain Injury: What do speech-language pathologists think is important?

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# Gender-Based Violence, Intimate Partner Violence and Traumatic Brain Injury: A Pilot Program for Survivors with Cognitive-Communication Disorders

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# Effects of Traumatic Brain Injury in Children Ages 0-5 Years and Associations with Select Health Conditions and Services

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Development of a dynamic assessment framework for technology-mediated communication tasks: A Delphi study

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Communication for Safe Healthcare: Codesigning solutions to support communication access

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Co-constructing the story: Progress and new directions in the co-design of a storytelling intervention for inpatient rehabilitation post-Traumatic Brain Injury

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Caregivers, a TBI Team, and an SLP Walked into a School: Positive Progress in Brain Injury Educational Programming

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Building capacity for better conversations: Implementing communication partner training in community-based brain injury care

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# **Bridging Sensory and Cognitive-Communication Health**

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# Beyond Prescriptive Models: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Communication in Progressive Neurodegenerative Syndromes

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communication dimensions. Katie's basic science approach spans methodologies and disciplinary perspectives for a more holistic understanding of interpersonal communication.

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# Automated language sample analysis of conversational stories: Comparing clinical and reference groups

**Michael Cannizzaro:** Dr. Michael Cannizzaro investigates brain and behavior relationships in typical and brain-injured populations. His research considers the role of the prefrontal cortex during complex communication and tasks that involve executive functions, and involves the study of discourse processing using behavioral and linguistic metrics to study communication in conjunction with neuroimaging to monitor task-related hemodynamics in the brain.

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Academic Functioning and Service Utilization after Sport-Related Injury in College Students: Comparing Concussion and Musculoskeletal Injury Experiences

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outcomes of combat-related mTBI and clinical interventions for speech and hearing disorders after traumatic brain injury. Her research has been published in peer-reviewed journals such as Trials, Brain Injury, American Journal of Speech-Language Pathology, Military Medicine, Neuropsychologia and Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

In 2019, Dr. Norman was awarded a Teaching Excellence Award and the George Kudolo Award for Excellence in Research at the School of Health Professions. In 2023 she was nominated for the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Deborah Wilkerson Early Career in Rehabilitation Award and in 2023 she was selected for the Spectrum Award at the School of Health Professions, an award recognizing all around excellence in research, teaching and service.

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In 2018, as a new faculty member at UT Health, she received both a School of Health Professions Pilot Grant and a Texas Society for Allied Health Professions Research Grant to fund her program of research in cognitive and communication disorders secondary to mTBI. In 2019, she was selected as a KL2 Scholar at the University of Texas Health Science Center, where she utilized methods such as discourse analysis and electroencephalogram (EEG) measures to richly characterize language output and shed light on the underlying cognitive mechanisms of language performance after mTBI. Since that time, Dr. Norman has established national and international research collaborations and received competitive funding as PI and site PI from the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Defense and the National Institutes of Health. She currently serves as PI on funded research addressing: caregiver needs of older adults with dementia, long-term

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