



**South West Wales
Brain Injury Group**

Thursday 5 October 2023
swansea.com Stadium,
Swansea, SA1 2FA

The South West Wales Brain Injury Conference 2023

A Patient's Journey: The Pathway To Recovery

This year's conference is a unique opportunity for individuals and families affected by brain injuries, as well as healthcare professionals and researchers, to come together and explore the critical stages of recovery.

Throughout the day, healthcare professionals will share their expertise and insights, guiding us through the intricate steps that lead survivors back to a fulfilling life.

Whether you're a survivor seeking inspiration or a healthcare practitioner looking to expand your knowledge, 'A Patient's Journey: The Pathway to Recovery' promises to be a day of learning, hope, and community. We will reflect on the tools and strategies that can help survivors not only regain their footing but also thrive on their unique road to recovery. Join us on this enlightening journey towards a brighter future.

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Conference Host - Professor Jeremy Tree - *Professor, Psychology Department, Swansea University*
Conference Chair - Suzanna Charles - *SWWBIG Chair / Brain Injury Team Coordinator*

8:30am - Registration, Refreshments & Networking

9:00am - Welcome Address

Session 1

Emergency Medical Retrieval and Transfer Service (EMRTS): An Overview of the Role
Major Sam McAleer, Specialist Registrar in Anaesthetics and PHEM & Steffan Simpson, Critical Care Practitioner/Helicopter Transfer Practitioner

Session 2

The Role of Neurosurgery Following Acute TBI
Mr Robert Redfern, Consultant Neurosurgeon

Session 3

An Overview of Post-Acute Neuro Rehabilitation In An Inpatient Setting: With a Focus on SALT and Rehabilitation Medicine
Dr David Abankwa, Consultant in Neuro Rehabilitation Medicine and Hayley Davies, Speech and Language Therapist (SALT)

Followed by questions for early-morning speakers

Refreshment Break & Networking

Session 4

An Overview of Ear Nose and Throat (ENT) Services Post-TBI
Mr Rhodri Costello, Consultant ENT Surgeon

Session 5

Neuro-Physiotherapy and Vestibular Rehabilitation
Richard Pawsey, Physiotherapy Clinical Specialist

Session 6

An Overview of The Role of Community Neurorehabilitation Services: An MDT Perspective
Dr Alex Hamill, Highly Specialist Clinical Psychologist and Vanessa Knighton, Occupational Therapist, Joanna Humphreys, Music Therapist

Followed by questions for late-morning speakers

12:40pm - 1:40pm - Lunch Break

Session 7

The Role of The Patient Liaison Nurse Across The Pathway

Jo Yeoman, Patient Liaison Nurse Emergency Medical Retrieval and Transfer Service (EMRTS)

Session 8

Danielle's Journey to Recovery: A Survivor's Perspective

Followed by questions for afternoon speakers

Refreshment Break & Networking

Session 9

The Benefits of Volunteering Post-Traumatic Brain Injury: Lived Experience Perspective

Facilitated by Dr Sam Fisher-Hicks, Consultant Neuropsychologist and Harley Moseley, Assistant Psychologist, Gail Rogers, Helena Wilkinson, Mentor x1

Session 10

Community Integration From Research to Practice

Lowri Wilkie, Assistant Psychologist and Local Area Coordinator

SWWBIG Chair Closing Remarks

4:00pm - Conference Ends / SWWBIG AGM

£40 Professional & Corporate

£12 Students & Charity

**Free for non-professional Headway members, brain injury survivors
& non-paid carers**

A discount can be applied for group bookings of 10 or more, please contact us at swwbig@gmail.com for further information. Tickets may be refunded no less than 7 days before the event but will incur a small administration fee that is a third-party fee implemented by the booking system.

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