



International Conference on Behavioral Health
and Traumatic Brain Injury

St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, Paterson, NJ
October 12-15, 2008

Summary Points

- **International Conference on Behavioral Health and Traumatic Brain Injury** – October 12 through 15, 2008 – St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, Paterson, NJ & Hilton Hasbrouck Heights, NJ
- **Purpose:** To create a comprehensive consensus statement to present to US Congress, with concrete recommendations and priorities that will address the psychological health difficulties and traumatic brain injury of our returning military veterans.
- World-renowned neuroscientists, physicians, psychologists, and health care professionals from the U.S., Netherlands, Denmark, Brazil, Italy, Spain, and other countries will attend to share cutting edge research and knowledge about Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and mild Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).
- An estimated 1 in 3 injured soldiers seek treatment for psychological difficulties. An estimated 15% return with some type of TBI.
- Lack of treatment and services for these vets can result in chronic unemployment, substance abuse, increased health problems, and homelessness.
- We have a moral responsibility to address this silent epidemic of TBI and the public health issue of psychological difficulties in our Wounded Warriors.
- A One Day Seminar at the Montclair State University on Monday, October 13, 2008, open to the public, will be devoted to NEUROTRAUMA.