



Quarterly Newsletter

Winter Quarter 2017

CURRENT PROJECTS

Here are some projects the team is working on right now!

Executive Dysfunction Difference in Justice Involved Individuals with TBI and PTSD versus TBI Alone

Liz Ahlers

TBI Curriculum

*Tyler Camaione, Cory Marchi,
Dani Hamilton*

IMPACT, KD Concussion Study

Sara Mason, Nimi Oduleye, Dani Hamilton, Ginger Low

UPCOMING CONFERENCES

⇒ 12th World Congress on Brain Injury

March 29-April 1, 2017

⇒ DU Research and Performance Summit

April 7, 2017

⇒ Colorado Collaborative Justice Conference

May 31-June 2, 2017

Dear Team Members,

Thank you for all of your hard work this quarter! Here is a summary of what your fellow team members have been working on. Have wonderful spring break and Happy Spring!

Sincerely,

Nimi



SPOTLIGHT ON: Kristi Wall



This quarter, she has been working on research regarding violence-related TBI in justice-involved women for her doctoral project. This study found that over 60% of women in the sample reported a history of at least one violence-related TBI, and women in the data set

were 7.7 times more likely than men to sustain multiple blows TBIs related to violence. These types of injuries may put them at higher risk for neurodegenerative disease in the future. Kristi's research also found that women with a history of TBIs related to violence had higher rates of physical health problems and longer lifetime histories of incarceration than women who had a history of TBIs, but not TBIs related to violence. This information can help clinicians working with these women direct specialized treatment and services to address these vulnerabilities, which can help individual outcomes and reduce systemic cost burdens. She is presenting a brief summary of this research in poster form at the International Brain Injury Association's 12th World Congress on Brain Injury on March 31st. She defended the project on March 17th and will be submitting a manuscript of the complete study findings to the Journal of Interpersonal Violence shortly following her successful defense! Congratulations Kristi, and thank you for all your hard work!

HELP WANTED

- ◊ We will need some volunteers to help code data on the concussion biomarker study. The data dictionary is up and running and we will have tons of data to code manually in April. Email Sara Mason for more information.
- ◊ If you take the spring Neuropsychology course, we are looking for TBI team data coders to join the clinical team. Email Kim for more information.