

Position Statement on Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and Traumatic Brain Injury

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Issue:

As the nation cares for those returning from war as well as those who are victims of violence in our own country, the importance of sustaining research and education to better care for those with both psychiatric and neurologic injury such as Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and Traumatic Brain Injury is prominent.

APA Position:

The APA strongly encourages the support and development of neuropsychiatry research, education and training for care to meet the needs of those with combined psychiatric and neurologic disorders particularly Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and Traumatic Brain Injury.

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