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## TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

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Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Traumatic brain injury is an acquired injury to the brain caused by an external force, resulting in total or partial functional disability or psychosocial impairment, or both, that adversely affects a child's educational performance. The term applies to open or closed head injuries resulting in impairments in one or more areas, such as cognition; language; memory; attention; reasoning; abstract thinking; judgment; problem solving; sensory; perceptual and motor abilities; psychosocial behavior; physical functions; information processing; and speech. The term does not apply to brain injuries that are congenital or degenerative, or brain injuries induced by birth trauma.

### Checklist for Determining Eligibility:

- Evidence of traumatic brain injury (medical)
  
- Evidence of educational deficits in one or more of the following areas:
  - Cognitive Functioning
  - Communication
  - Social/Emotional
  - Motor
  - Sensory/Perceptual
  - Adaptive Behavior
  
- Evidence that educational deficits are caused by the traumatic brain injury
  
- Deficits are severe enough that the student's educational needs cannot be met in a regular education program without special education and related services or the student is at risk of further developmental delay.