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## The Brain Injury Needs Indicator **BINI**

A tool to assist with identifying the deficits of people who have a suspected or diagnosed acquired brain injury and who may require adult social care and support.

Name of individual: .....

Name of assessor: .....



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(OT, SLT, GP etc.)

**Did you know people with acquired brain injury can have hidden deficits which may put them at risk?**

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help to signpost the next steps to take; this may range from offering information to arranging specialist support services, including rehabilitation. The BINI is consistent with elements of the Care Act 2014 Guidance. It is also documented in the 'Skills for Care' assessment and eligibility workbook on the Care Act.


**LEARN MORE**


You can learn more about the BINI and effects of brain injury in FAQs or at [www.birt.co.uk/bini](http://www.birt.co.uk/bini) or email [bini@thetdgroup.org](mailto:bini@thetdgroup.org)


The Brain Injury Needs Indicator (BINI) helps assessors identify these issues as part of an adult social care assessment.

Someone with a brain injury may have difficulty with day-to-day living. At the same time, they may not realise or understand the extent of their difficulties, which may mean they do not receive the help they need.

## **The BINI uses information from three sources to identify the level of risk an individual may have due to their brain injury.**

If you are **someone with a brain injury**  or a **family member or friend**  make sure your social worker, or whoever is assessing you, understands brain injury and uses the BINI during your adult social care assessment. You may also be invited to answer questions about how things have changed since the brain injury.

If you are a **health professional**  you may be invited to fill out the BINI to provide a clinical point of view of how things have changed since any brain injury.

If you are a **social worker or assessor**  using the BINI will help you to identify hidden deficits caused by a brain injury and whether these may lead to increased risk for the person or for those around them.

To use the BINI, you must be a social worker or equivalent, working for or on behalf of a local authority. Access is simple – just register via our website and once approved you will be able to download copies for either printing or filling out electronically. You can also order paper copies if you need them.

If you are someone with a brain injury, or a family member or friend, ask your social worker to download and use the BINI.

**More information, including short films about brain injury and the BINI, is available for everyone on our website [www.birt.co.uk/bini](http://www.birt.co.uk/bini) or for more details email us [bini@thedtgroup.org](mailto:bini@thedtgroup.org)**

### **The Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust (BIRT)**

The Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust provides a continuum of care for people with acquired brain injury, from post-acute hospital based rehabilitation, assessment and rehabilitation, through continuing rehabilitation and supported housing and home support.

Through our range of specialist services, we aim to enable people to function more independently in the wider community and develop their lives in ways they choose.

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The Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust is the brain injury division of The Disabilities Trust and the means by which it provides its brain injury services.

Founded in 1979, The Disabilities Trust is now established as one of the UK's leading charities, offering imaginative, progressive services to people with autism, brain injury, physical disability and learning disability.

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