

What is a Closed Brain Injury?

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A closed **brain injury** is a condition wherein the person suffers a severe blow to the head without any visible crack or penetration. The opposite of this condition would be a open injury wherein the skull is exposed. Sometimes this injured results from a person getting hit on the head and not knowing he has injured his brain. In some instances, individuals are not concerned with symptoms as there is an absence of a wound or blood. However, any trauma to the head, regardless of the degree of impact, should be checked immediately. The doctor can examine you and provide you with list of possible symptoms to watch for over the 24 to 48 hours.

These symptoms of a closed brain injury are:

- Dilated pupils, double vision, or blurred vision
- Convulsions
- Dizziness and headaches
- Loss of consciousness
- Fluids coming out of your nose or ears
- Vomiting and nausea
- Slurred speech
- Changes in behavior or mood swings
- Difficulty in breathing

Even if you do not experience any of these symptoms, it would still be advisable to go in for a consultation to secure clearance from your doctor. You will need this to obtain permission in order to go back to school or work. This will prevent you from sustaining damage to yourself or your situation causing damage to others. For instance, if you work with heavy equipment,

blurred vision could cause you to lose control and hurt a coworker and you. In addition, if you are a childcare provider, a child in your care could be at risk if you are cooking or doing everyday tasks around the house, and you lose consciousness.

The key is to listen to your body as it will always tell you when something is wrong. Never toss aside these feelings because a few minutes in a doctor's clinic is worth the effort, and could save you from an even more traumatic situation.

You can suffer from closed **brain injury** because of accidental falls, playing contact sports, car accidents, and even accidents in your workplace that causes something heavy to fall on you. This is why the use of helmets and seatbelts are so important when using devices or being inside a moving vehicle or bike.

With closed brain injury, the stress on immediate medical attention cannot be ignored. It will make a huge difference similar to someone suffering from a stroke or heart attack. Initially, what will be done is to stabilize the condition of the patient – oxygen supply, blood pressure, and blood flow. A CT scan can be done to find out the extent of the close brain injury before treatment is prescribed. Treatment can range from rehabilitation or even surgery if there is internal pressure or bleeding.

People who suffer from <u>closed brain injury</u> can fully recover, but it will depend on the physical condition of the patient, his will to fight, and the time frame between the time of the injury and treatment.

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