

Date

Name Address

Dear

I sent you this letter because a Nebraska health care facility or provider reported you were treated for an injury to your head that may have resulted in a concussion or brain injury. If this happened to you, I want you to know where to go for help if you need it. Your information will not be shared with anyone else.

Sometimes coding or reporting mistakes occur. If you did not have this type of injury or if you believe you received this letter by mistake, please contact me, Keri Bennett at (308) 224-7571 or keri.bennett@nebraska.gov.

Nebraska law (Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-662) requires physicians, psychologists, hospitals and rehabilitation centers to report data on injuries like these to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The law also requires that information be sent once to each reported person to help them find services they may need after an injury to their head. Nebraska VR works with DHHS to send out this information. Due to mailing list delays we can't control, this letter may be reaching you several months after your injury.

Every person's injury is unique; some are minor and resolve quickly, while others may result in long-term symptoms. If you had an injury to your head and have any symptoms listed on the enclosed card:

- 1. Talk to your physician or health care provider to decide the best course of action.
- 2. Contact the Brain Injury Association of Nebraska (BIA-NE) for free help to learn more about brain injury, and to find services and supports in your area. Call (844) 423-2463 or visit https://biane.org to connect with the BIA-NE.

Other helpful resources are listed on the enclosed card.

Sincerely,

Keri Bennett, Program Director

Nebraska VR

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Nebraska law requires physicians, psychologists, hospitals, and rehabilitation centers to report brain or head injuries to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). It also requires DHHS to send information to assist each reported individual in accessing necessary and appropriate services related to the injury. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 81-662.

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