ATTENTION:

Graduate Degree-Seeking Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy,

Speech-Language Pathology, Counseling, Nursing, Pre-Med, Psychology, Special Education, Neuroscience, and Behavior Analysis Students!

Want an opportunity to set yourself apart from your colleagues?

Get your Provisional Certified Brain Injury Specialist (PCBIS) Certification with the North Dakota Brain Injury Network (NDBIN)!

A provisional certification provides in-depth training for those who intend to develop a career working with individuals who have sustained a brain injury. With your PCBIS, you have the opportunity to develop a strong foundation in the field of brain injury rehabilitation and services.

Becoming a Certified Brain Injury Specialist (CBIS) through the Brain Injury Association of America (BIAA) means you are trained in the most current and best practices in brain injury care. Typically, you need 500 hours of experience in the field of brain injury before sitting for the exam but BIAA offers a provisional certification that allows you to sit for the exam, prior and then obtain official certification once you have reached your 500 hours!

How does it work?

- 1. Obtain an application to get your PCBIS from Carly Endres, Senior project coordinator, carly.endres@und.edu, (701) 777-8004
- 2. Send in your application by the October 6 deadline
- 3. Pay \$150 for your certification to BIAA; an optional electronic textbook is recommended for \$75
- 4. Attend NDBIN's 2 day FREE training either in person or virtually via Zoom on:
 - November 2 and 3 8:30-4:30 at University of North Dakota's School of Medicine & Health Sciences, 1301 N. Columbia Rd. Grand Forks, ND 58201
- 5. Study, study! NDBIN has numerous resources to assist you with this
- 6. Sit for exam when you feel ready; NDBIN can proctor
- 7. Once you've met your 500 hours (or have completed a supervised academic internship experience), pay \$100 to the BIAA to transfer from PCBIS to CBIS
- 8. Attend NDBIN's optional quarterly CBIS check-ins for the latest info on brain injury in North Dakota
- 9. Annually pay \$65 and submit 10 CEUs in the area of brain injury to maintain your CBIS with BIAA

