

Call It What It Is A Concussion is a Brain Injury

It's not just a concussion.

A concussion is a traumatic brain injury. Language matters – in diagnosis, in care, and in recovery.

Why It Matters

When we say "concussion" instead of "brain injury," people hear:

- "It's minor."
- "You'll bounce back."
- "You don't need treatment."

Language Shifts to Practice

Instead of...

- "He just got his bell rung."
- "Cleared from a concussion."
- "It's only a concussion."

But what many experience is:

- Persistent symptoms
- · Mental health struggles
- Learning or work disruptions
- Long-term neurological changes

Say this instead...

- "He may have sustained a brain injury."
- "Recovering from a mild TBI."
- "It is a brain injury mild, not minor."

