



NYC Slip-and-Fall Lawyer Applauds Efforts To Raise Awareness Of Traumatic Brain Injury

Too often, pedestrians fail to seek treatment or pursue their legal rights after suffering severe head and brain injuries in a slip-and-fall accident, New York City attorney David Resnick says.

New York, NY (Vocus/PRWEB) March 04, 2011 -- [New York City personal injury lawyer](#) David Resnick says Brain Injury Awareness Month in March should serve as a valuable reminder to pedestrians of the need to seek medical treatment and legal redress if they are injured in a slip and fall.

“Many people who fall down at a New York store, hotel, theater, sidewalk or parking lot walk away from the incident thinking they aren’t injured, and even if they are injured, there’s nothing they can do about it,” says Resnick, the founding attorney of David Resnick & Associates, a personal injury law firm that represents [slip-and-fall](#) victims throughout Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, the Bronx and Long Island.

“But often, the [slip-and-fall injuries](#)— particularly head injuries – take days or weeks before the signs and symptoms show up. By that point, the injury might be in an advanced, even critical stage,” Resnick says.

“That’s why you should immediately seek medical treatment after a New York slip and fall, and contact an experienced injury attorney who can help you obtain compensation for your medical bills, lost wages and your physical and emotional pain and suffering.”

Traumatic brain injury (TBI), including a concussion, occurs when the brain’s ability to function is impaired by a blow to the head or a sudden jolt that causes the head to move violently back and forth. Along with back, neck, spinal cord, hip, knee and shoulder injuries, TBI is commonly suffered in a slip and fall.

This injury can happen when a person hits his or her head on the ground or strikes an object, such as a stairway rail, while falling. Immediate signs of TBI may include dizziness, blurred vision and nausea. Over time, other symptoms can develop, such as headaches, fatigue, lack of concentration and memory loss. Extreme cases may result in a coma or death.

TBI is sometimes called “the silent epidemic” because the symptoms aren’t readily observed by others and may be associated with something else by the victims themselves.

However, TBI is prevalent, according to the Brain Injury Association of New York State, which estimates a traumatic brain injury occurs every 23 seconds in the U.S. Out of the 1.5 million Americans who suffer TBI every year, 80,000 to 90,000 experience a long-term disability.

“In many cases, this terrible injury could have been prevented if a property owner had taken reasonable steps, such as cleaning up a spill in an aisle, fixing a light or shoveling snow or ice off the pavement,” Resnick says. “When property owners are careless, they need to be held accountable, and the victims of their negligence need to be compensated.”

About David Resnick & Associates, P.C.

David Resnick & Associates, P.C. is a well-respected [New York City accident and personal injury law firm](#). The



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