Traumatic Brain Injury

A traumatic brain injury is an acquired injury to the brain caused by an external physical force, resulting in total or partial functional disability or psychosocial impairment, or both, that adversely affects a student's educational performance. The term applies to open or closed head injuries resulting in impairments in one (1) or more areas, such as the following:

(1) Cognition.
(2) Language.
(3) Memory.
(4) Attention.
(5) Reasoning.
(6) Abstract thinking.
(7) Judgment.
(8) Problem solving.
(9) Sensory, perceptual, and motor abilities.
(10) Psychosocial behavior.
(11) Physical functions.
(12) Information processing.
(13) Speech.

The term does not apply to brain injuries that are:
(1) congenital or degenerative; or
(2) induced by birth trauma.