Resources Sex and Intimacy Resources

Sexuality and intimacy are complex ideas which can include a person's relationship with others and themselves.

- This handout gives resources for addressing sex and intimacy after a brain injury.
 - Relevant books, websites, podcasts, and articles are included.
 - □ Positioning resources are included.
- It could be helpful to hear others' stories to better understand your own story.

Adaptive Equipment and Devices

Kiss and Ride ATL

- An inclusive sex and intimacy item store in Little Five Points in Atlanta.
- Private shopping hours for individuals or partners.
- Physically accessible for wheelchair.
- Instagram Link (Kiss and Ride)
- Website Link (Kiss and Ride)

TouchBot Tech

- Disability led and owned 3D printed sex and intimacy devices.
- Owner conducts consultations with individuals, partners, and clinicians to strategize and discuss products. Calendly link on website.
- Owner is willing to adapt and create individualized items for patients.
- <u>TouchBot Tech Website</u>

Sportsheets

- Online store for sex and intimacy items.
- <u>Sportsheets Website</u>

MyPleasure

- Online store for sex and intimacy items with emphasis on disability inclusivity.
- <u>MyPleasure Website</u>

Positioning Ideas

Toronto Rehab Sex Positions Post-Stroke

7 Sex Positions for People with Disabilities

Sex Positions Post Stroke



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General Resources

Institute for Sex, Intimacy, and Occupational Therapy

- <u>Sex and Intimacy OT Website</u>
- Blog with topics like putting on adaptive bra

OT After Dark

- Podcast by two occupational therapists discussing different relevant topics to individuals with disability and sex and intimacy.
- OT After Dark Podcast
- OT After Dark Resources
- OT After Dark Instagram

AASECT

- <u>Referral Directory | AASECT:: American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and</u>
 <u>Therapists</u>
- List of sex therapists by state and city. Does not allow filter by experience with brain injury.

Books

Bang!: Masturbation for People of All Genders and Abilities

- Written by an individual who uses a power wheelchair.
- Discusses masturbation in general, but also includes advice for how to masturbate as a wheelchair user.

A Quick & Easy Guide to Sex & Disability

- Graphic novel that covers diverse topics such as myths about sex and disability, possible interventions, Interabled relationships, etc.
- Author is a queer male with paraplegia.

Disability Visibility by Alice Wong

 Compilation of diverse experiences of individuals with disabilities. Some give examples of disability experiences with sex and intimacy.

In Sickness and in Health: Love, Disability, and a Quest to Understand the Perils and Pleasures of Interabled Romance

- Compilation of stories of couples where one person has a disability, and one person is able bodied.
- Written by a disabled man with spinal muscular atrophy (SMA).



Ultimate Guide to Sex and Disability: For All of Us Who Live with Disabilities, Chronic Pain, and Illness

• A guide for creating a sex life that works for you written by three authors: a medical doctor, a sex educator, and a disability advocate.

<u>Sexual Difficulties After Traumatic Brain Injury and Ways to Deal With It</u> by Ronit Aloni and Schlomo Katz

• Focuses on social and intimacy skills that relate to sexuality.

Enabling Romance: A Guide to Love, Sex, and Relationships for the Disabled (and the People Who Care About Them)

• A comprehensive guide for those living with disabilities. Addresses social and romantic aspects of sexuality as well as dating, independent living, and friendship.

Sexuality and the Person With Traumatic Brain Injury: A Guide for Families

• A guide for families of individuals with TBI.

Taking Charge: Teenagers Talk About Life & Physical Disabilities

• A guide specific to sexuality of teenagers with physical disabilities.

Articles

Sex and Sexuality Factsheet (headway.org.uk)

- Discusses anatomy and how sex is impacted after brain injury.
- Discusses partner impact, tips for coping, and potential medical treatment.

Sexuality After Traumatic Brain Injury | MSKTC

• Discusses how brain injury impacts sex and what can be done to help.

Brain injury and sexual issues - Better Health Channel

• Discusses changes after a TBI, resuming having sex, inappropriate behavior, and overcoming sexual challenges.

Intimacy after stroke | American Stroke Association

• Discusses the effects of stroke on communication, emotions, and the physical body and how it can impact intimacy.

Sexual Difficulties After Traumatic Brain Injury and Ways to Deal with It | BrainLine

