

ACRM DISORDERS OF CONSCIOUSNESS FAMILY EDUCATION PROJECT

What is DoC?

A disorder of consciousness (DoC) is a diagnosis given when someone has difficulty maintaining wakefulness and/or has impaired awareness of him/herself and his/her environment due to a medical condition.

For more detailed information please review these resources:



Facts about acute severe brain injury. What to expect in the trauma center, hospital and beyond. What is known about recovery and outcomes.



Information on vegetative state and minimally conscious state, more specifically:

- characteristics of each state
- patterns of recovery
- treatment
- transitioning through levels
- thoughts from families who have been there



Provides a list of behaviors associated with each disorders of consciousness state.



Video examples of the different disorders of consciousness.