## **cj c e e** Traumatic Brain injuries in Alaska



## What is traumat cbrain injury?

Traumat c brain injury, of en shortened to TBI, is an injury that af ects how the brain works. TBI can be caused by a bump, blow, jolt or piercing injury to the head and can lead to disability and death.<sup>1</sup>

## Traumat cbrain injuries in Alaska

In Alaska, a small percentage of all injury hospitalizations are TBI related (13%), but a large percentage of all injury deaths are TBI related (30.5%).

Falls are the leading cause of TBIs in Alaska.

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