What is PBIRT?
A team that helps children or young people who have an acquired brain injury.

An acquired brain injury refers to an event leading to damage to a child’s brain some time after birth due to:

- Trauma
  - Car accident
  - Bike accident
  - Fall
  - Assault, etc
- Infection
  - Meningitis
  - Encephalitis, etc
- Disruption of blood flow / oxygen to brain
  - Stroke
  - Drowning
  - Poisoning, etc

What does the service provide?
The service may include (but is not limited to) any of the following:

1. Helping the child in hospital, at home and at school.
2. Helping with movement and balance.
3. Helping with every day living skills.
4. Helping the child with their learning and thinking.
5. Helping with speech and communication.
6. Assisting with behaviour difficulties.
7. Review of medical needs.
8. Providing information to families and other support people.
9. Helping the child to take part in recreation and social activities.
10. Arranging other support services needed for the child and the family.
11. Providing or arranging counselling for the child and family members.
12. Helping the child to start or leave school.
13. Co-ordination of these services

Who is PBIRT?
The team works together to assist children and young people who will be or are attending school. The children have a significant and ongoing difficulty resulting from an acquired brain injury.

The team members are:

- Administration Officer
- Case Manager
- Clinical Nurse Consultant
- Neurologist
- Neuropsychologist
- Occupational Therapist
- Physiotherapist
- Social Worker
- Speech Pathologist
WHO CAN REFER?

- Family
- School
- General Practitioner
- Acute hospital (public or private)
- Community Health Centre
- Other health professional/agency

You can make contact by phone, letter, email, fax or in person.

Detailed information regarding the event leading to the brain injury will be required.

A MEMBER OF OUR TEAM WILL BE IN CONTACT.

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