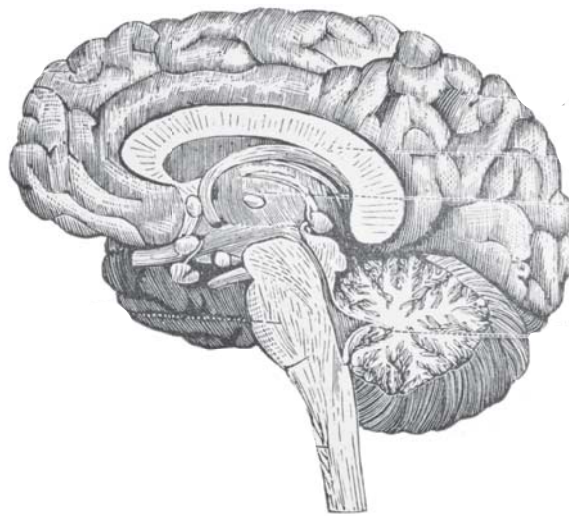


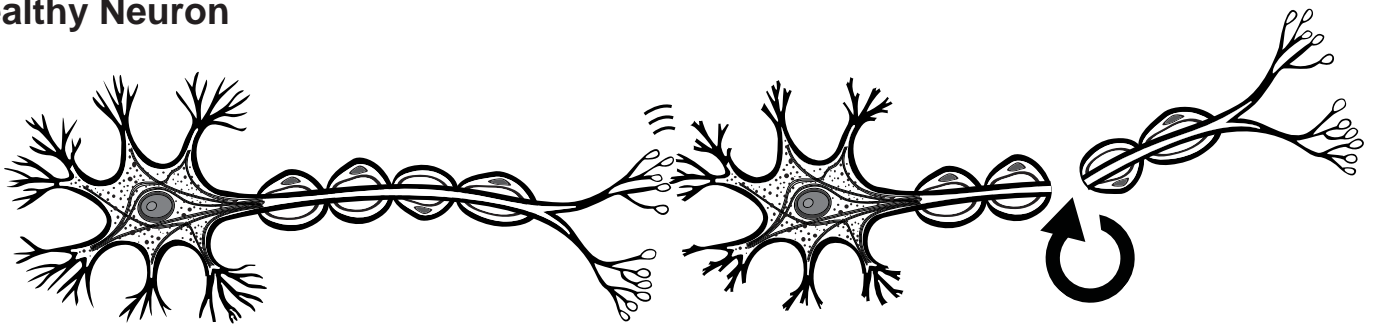
Brain Development

and Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI)

A child's brain develops rapidly in the first few years of life. The brain has billions of tiny brain cells. Neurons are "communicator" cells that talk to each other. Forceful shaking, tossing or a blow to the head can cause shearing, twisting or tearing of brain tissue (including neurons), which results in a traumatic brain injury. A traumatic brain injury can affect a child's development and learning later in life.



Healthy Neuron



Broken Neuron