

My name is Gina Adams; I'm the mother of a child (Corey Krontz) that was catastrophically injured (TBI) in an auto/pedestrian accident in Nov. of 1992. Corey who at the time had just turned 5yrs. Old was instantly comatose, his brain rapidly began to swell, he was air lifted to a major hospital, unable to breath on his own he needed life support, after further testing it was discovered he had 3 blood clots in his brain, due to the severity of his injuries several surgeries were preformed such as inserting a feeding tube and a device to measure brain swelling. I was told to prepare for the worse, as Corey chances of survival were minimal. Corey remained comatose for about 8wks continuing to need oxygen, we were told he might never wake up. Surprising us all Corey did wake up! Upon waking we learned he was partially paralyzed, he had no memory of who he was, who we were, Corey was back to an infantile stat, He remained hospitalized for several weeks as further testing needed to be done and the oxygen was slowly removed before being transported to a rehabilitation center. We continued to have a very long road ahead of us as Corey needed to re-learn everything such as: how to walk, talk, eat, his brain had to learn (if possible) how to process information again. An infinite amount of medical care, treatment, and equipment would be needed to help him rehabilitate. Once in rehab we noticed he was having seizures, which made things even more complicated. Medication was needed in order to help control the seizures. Corey was rehab until June of 1993; he required 24-hour care 7 days a week. As the years have passed Corey now 24 yrs. Old still requires 24-hour care 7 days a week, continuing medical treatment, medications, care, and rehabilitation is ongoing. Daily he endures the challenges that come along with having a TBI such as; being partially paralyzed (wheelchair bound), having a severe seizure disorder, difficulty speaking, having to have someone help him at all times to do simple everyday tasks (toileting, brushing teeth, eating, etc) He is for the most part stable however his condition is deteriorating, as he gets older his level of care increases.

- Auto/pedestrian accident- 5yr old (TBI) 1992
- Corey survived his accident due to the immediate & level of care he received due to No-Fault (PIP)
- 7 Months hospitalized
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- 18yrs later continues to require extensive ongoing treatment due to (TBI and injuries related to TBI)
- Because of No-Fault (PIP) Corey has a decent quality of life
- Corey survives today due to the level of care he continues to receive through No-Fault (PIP)

Thank you for your time and please consider cases such as Corey's while making decisions concerning Michigan's No-Fault (PIP) as I truly believe without No-Fault protection my son surely wouldn't be with us today.