

Head Injuries A Contributing Factor to Violence

A 2003 study has found that head injuries acquired during childhood and youth (from domestic violence, car or playground injuries, gang violence, etc.) are associated with increased incidents of criminal violence in adulthood. In a comparison study of violent and nonviolent criminals, it was discovered that although both groups had a history of academic problems, only the violent group had a history of not having received treatment for their childhood head injury. Leon-Carrion, Jose and Chacartegui, Javier. (2003) Blows to the head during development can predispose to violent criminal behavior: rehabilitation of consequences of head injury is a measure for crime prevention. *Brain Injury*, V. 17 (3), 207-216.