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STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD (STBIAB)  
MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2015

- Present: Albert Burian, Lila Ota, Rita Manriquez, Cora Speck, Mary Wilson, Stephanie Yee
- Excused: Elzy Kaina, William Rodrigues, Robert Sloan, Kawena Young
- Others: Lyna Burian, Brain Injury Association-Hawaii; Violet Horvath, Director Pacific Basin Rehabilitation Research and Training Center (PBRRTC)/Hawaii Neurotrauma Registry (HNTR); Ross Oshiro, Coordinator Queen's Center for Sports Medicine: Hawaii Concussion Awareness and Management Program (HCAMP)
- DOH Staff: Curtis Inouye, Wendie Lino

- I. Call to Order – Meeting called to order at 1:38 p.m. Quorum present.
- II. Approval of Minutes –Board Member Lila Ota motioned to accept the STBIAB minutes of July 23, 2015 as written. Board Member Cora Speck seconded the motion. Board members voted to accept the Minutes as written.
- III. Review of Agenda – Board Members voted and accepted the agenda with no changes.
- IV. New Business
  - A. State Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board Annual Meeting:  
Board Members discussed the possibility of having an Annual STBIAB meeting in 2016. It has been more than seven years since the last Annual STBIAB meeting was held. Board Members discussed the possibility of having the annual meeting in March to coincide with Brain Injury Awareness Month. Board Member Mary Wilson made a motion to have the Annual STBIAB meeting in March, 2016. Cora Speck seconded the motion. Board Members voted in favor of having the Annual Meeting in March, 2016. Members briefly discussed agenda topics such as employment, Medicaid, benefits counselling, neighbor island representation. Board Members were encouraged to contact Neurotrauma staff with any other. Specifics regarding goals and Agenda items for the Annual meeting to be discussed at the next STBIAB meeting in November, 2015.

V. Old Business

A. Concussion Management Project Update:

Ross Oshiro reported that the number of baseline testing conducted this year was less than the previous year. Per Ross, in the previous year, there were four graduate assistants conducting baseline testing whereas this year HCAMP had only two graduate assistants conducting baseline testing. Ross mentioned that the individual schools have taken over the responsibility of conducting the majority of the baseline testing.

HCAMP continues to provide concussion education and awareness events to community sports organizations. They also continue to participate in community events, the next being the HPH Kids Fest at the Bishop Museum in October, 2015. HCAMP is also finalizing the Pan Pacific Concussion Symposium which will be held on July 8, 2016 at Dave and Busters in Honolulu, Hawaii. Per Ross, HCAMP has secured four speakers for the symposium from the mainland as well as international speakers.

Please refer to the HCAMP report which is attached to the Minutes for more information.

B. Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC) Hawaii Neurotrauma Registry (HNTR) Update:

Violet Horvath, prior to the HNTR report mentioned that their name change is official and they are now the Pacific Disabilities Center. Violet further explained that the new name is much easier to say and remember and because they also work with individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing, their new name is easier to sign. Violet provided an update on the HNTR Project through August 31, 2015. Currently, there are 119 participants in the registry. In regards to Human Subjects Renewal and Modifications, Violet reported that as of September, 18, 2015, PDC has been approved for another year to end in 9/2016.

Please refer to Violet's HNTR report which is attached for additional information.

C. Neighbor Island TBI Activities:

Kauai: Board Member Rita Manriquez reported that the new Aloha Independent Living Specialist for Kauai will be the former director of the American Red Cross. Rita will be helping and assisting her in understanding what a person with a traumatic brain injury, and disabilities in general, goes through. Rita also mentioned that she is an individual with a disability and will have her contact HNTR to get more information on the Registry. Rita continues to be a part of the Kauai Mayor's Advisory Board.

D. DOH Update:

Neurotrauma has relocated to the Diamond Head Health Center as of September 1, 2015. Neurotrauma is now within the Community Resources Branch, under the Community Alternatives Section. The new Helpline number is 733-2155. The Neurotrauma staff number is 733-2147. When someone calls the old Helpline number, they will be informed to call the new Helpline number. This

recording will stay in effect for six months, until February, 2016. The Neurotrauma brochures as well as other Neurotrauma materials will reflect the new Helpline number and contact information.

The DOH is currently in the process of hiring for the two vacant Neurotrauma positions.

VI. Announcements:

- i. Brain Injury Association-Hawaii Support Group Meetings: Meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month, second and third Wednesdays of the month. The meeting held on Saturday begins at 1:00 pm. The meeting on Wednesdays begins at 6:00 p.m. All meetings are held at the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific in Room Wo 4.
- ii. Footsteps to Transition Fair hosted by Central and Leeward Districts for Special Needs. Topic is transition to adult life. The fair will be held at the Kapolei High School on October 24, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Guest Speaker will be Leolinda Parlin.
- iii. Per Mary Wilson, the Brain Injury Association of Hawaii Resource Center's number is 585-7700.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

VII. Next Meeting

Date: November 20, 2015

Time: 1:30 – 4:00 pm

Location: Kalanimoku VCC and Neighbor Island VCC sites

Recorded by Curtis Inouye