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STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD (STBIAB)
MEETING MINUTES
DATE: July 21, 2016

Present: Albert Burian, Rita Manriquez, William Rodrigues, Cora Speck, Stephanie Yee
Excused: Dr. Robert Sloan, Lila Ota, Mary Wilson, Kawena Young, Elzy Kaina
Others: Lyna Burian; Brain Injury Association of Hawaii, Violet Horvath; Director Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC), Ross Oshiro; Queen's Center for Sports Medicine, Evelyn Bautista, Hawaii Neurotrauma Registry
DOH Staff: Wendie Lino, Chelsea Ko

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by Acting Chair William Rodrigues. Quorum present.
- II. **Approval of Minutes from the September 18, 2015 meeting** – Board Member Cora Speck made a motion to accept the Minutes as written. Board Member Stephanie Yee seconded the motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of minutes being accepted as written. No questions.
- III. **Review of Agenda** – Board Member Stephanie Yee made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Board Member Cora Speck seconded that motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of accepting the agenda as written. No questions.
- IV. **New Business**
 - A. **Brain Injury Awareness Month March, 2017:**
The board members discussed the following activities for Brain Injury Awareness Month, March 2017: setting up a table and distributing the finalized TBI brochures at state buildings, distributing brochures and conducting presentations

about falls/concussions at assisted living facilities or care homes for the elderly and for the staff, reaching out to injury law offices to see if we can partner with them for an event. The Department of Health will look into these suggestions.

B. Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Brochure:

The board reviewed drafts of the TBI brochure, which were created based on the recommendations of the TBI brochure committee. Board members discussed and provided suggestions for the layout of the brochure, including which graphic to use, bolding the headings, whether to include a border around the content of the brochure, and including the term mild traumatic brain injury in the concussion section. In response to Lyna Burian's question regarding who will receive this brochure, Board Member Rita Manriquez stated the brochure would be provided to survivors of TBI and their family members at physicians' (e.g., neurologists) offices, upon discharge. The issue of using a professional graphics designer to polish the brochure was discussed. Board Member Cora Speck stated she would check with Queen's Medical Center, Board Member Stephanie Yee stated she would check with Rehab Hospital, and Violet Horvath stated she would check with the Mattoch and Galihir law firms. Wendie Lino stated the Department of Health would need to check with their communications office about the content of brochures. The Department of Health stated it will explore the different options presented and will discuss with the STBIAB at the next board meeting.

V. Old Business

- A. Hawaii Concussion Awareness and Management Program (HCAMP) Update:** Ross Oshiro provided an update on the HCAMP concussion report from August 2015 through June 2016. Ross reported that from the 67 participating schools, a total of 8328 baselines were completed with 1069 reported concussions. The Oahu Interscholastic Association (OIA) with a total of 23 schools reported completing 3718 baselines this period with 580 reported concussions. The Interscholastic League of Honolulu (ILH) completed 2250 baselines with 236 reported concussions. The Big Island Interscholastic Federation (BIIF) completed 1324 baselines and reported 81 concussions, the Kauai Interscholastic Federation (KIF) completed 345 baselines and reported 55 concussions, and the Maui Interscholastic League (MIL) completed 691 baselines and reported 117 concussions. Ross also reported on HCAMP's concussion education events. In November, 2015, HCAMP completed a concussion education event at Waipahu High School for the Oahu Soccer League Referees, in January, 2016, HCAMP completed a concussion education event at the Japanese Chamber of Commerce for the Oahu Soccer League Coaches (athletes 12-18 years old), in February, 2016, HCAMP provided a concussion awareness event for Play Sports Hawaii Football Coaches who just started a contact football league. Ross reported HCAMP had their Concussion Summit and sports injuries. The July 8th, 2016 session was held at Dave and Busters and had about 80 attendees, and the July 9th, 2016 session was held at the University of Hawaii and had about 50 attendees. Ross reported that HCAMP will have their Concussion Clinic tonight, July 21, 2016 at 6:30pm at McKinley High School. Over 150 people have registered, including coaches, officials, and parents. Ross reported the Concussion Bill was signed on July 12, 2016, Act 262, which will provide funding

to continue baseline testing and provide education on concussions in the high school and middle school settings. In response to Board Member William Rodrigues' question, Ross stated the bill will provide education for youth sports programs outside of the school setting. Board Member William Rodrigues posed a question about providing education to adults and seniors, and Ross stated he has been thinking about providing education to this population. Board Member Rita Manriquez suggested providing education to seniors during the Falls Conference sponsored by the University of Hawaii. In response to Ross' question, Board Member Cora Speck stated the Department of Health Falls Conference occurs every other year with the Hawaii Pacific Gerontological Society Meetings, and occurs in late September or October. Board Member Cora Speck stated this year will be the Gerontological Society meeting, and next year will hopefully be the Falls Conference. For additional information, refer to the HCAMP report, which is attached to the Minutes.

- B. Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC) – Hawaii Neurotrauma Registry (HNTR) Update. Violet Horvath from PDC provided an update on the HNTR. There are 185 unique participants in the Registry as of June 30, 2016. Twenty-eight participants were added in the registry in May 2016 and six were added in June 2016. PDC conducted outreach to more than 14,800 members of the public at 91 events and over 1200 professionals and community members at 53 presentations since March 21, 2013, as well as distributed almost 21,000 pieces of neurotrauma educational materials since March 21, 2013. Violet reported all statistical analyses for the data from years 1-3 have been conducted and PDC is currently writing the narrative sections. Violet stated PDC is trying to recruit more participants in demographic categories that may be currently underrepresented in the registry. Violet stated PDC understands the value of obtaining information from neurotrauma survivors on the outer islands, but has been having difficulty recruiting participants. Board Member Rita Manriquez stated potential registry participants on the outer islands may not be willing to participate because they may feel more comfortable obtaining information from or keeping information within their family or community on Kauai. Violet reported that the referrals from rehab hospital have been helpful, but having “face time” by conducting community presentations to community members has been most successful in recruiting participants. For additional information, a results table is included in the HNTR report, which is attached to the minutes. Violet reported the HNTR advisory board will be having their first meeting on July 28th, 2016. Regarding the media, Violet reports the first public announcement has been running on Olelo as a filler, and public service announcement numbers two and three are in post-production. The stroke webinar is available on demand; Violet requested that others share the link and post the link on their websites. Other community outreach efforts included an article in Midweek, an article on HNTR in the DOH Injury Prevention, EMS & Trauma Newsletter, Issue No. 4 of the HNTR Newsletter, completion of the social media postcards, and the bus placards, which are scheduled to launch soon. Violet stated she will check if the bus will return the bus placards to PDC; if so, the placards could be reused on Kauai. Violet also reported she is working with OC16 to do a 30 minute show to promote HNTR and the Neurotrauma Registry and to teach exercises anyone can do to

maintain their balance and prevent falls. In response to a question from Board Member Rita Manriquez, Violet stated she has been in contact with the Board of Elderly Affairs on Oahu and the neighbor islands. Board Member Rita Manriquez suggested partnering with the Board of Elderly Affairs to reach out to seniors, who would likely appreciate having exercises to do. Regarding upcoming events, Violet stated they are attending the Parkinson's Support Group on Maui on August 2nd and are trying to coordinate to do a presentation in the afternoon at a senior facility. Regarding upcoming project proposals, Violet reported their Critical Skills for Transition-Aged Youth with mTBI is currently on hold, but HNTR is continuing to work on updating the budget for children's storybook/coloring book and neurotrauma video projects. Violet reported the current contract with DOH is ending on August 20th, 2016 and a new contract is currently being processed for an addition 5 months to transition the registry to DOH, but PDC will not be funded until the new contract is executed. Board Member Cora Speck asked if Dan Galanis from the Injury Prevention and Control Program, or others, could have access to the registry data. Wendie Lino from DOH stated the state will have to check on whether the data could be accessed and if so, the process for accessing the data. Violet reported PDC has been trying to obtain de-identified data previously obtained by DOH to add to the current registry data but has been denied each time. Board Member Cora Speck suggested for the registry to obtain feedback from the hospitals as to why they do not refer patients to the registry all of the time, as well as to work with Injury Prevention and DOH to see where they might have overlaps with existing registries. Board Member Rita Manriquez stated Curtis could provide more information on the difficulties recruiting registry participants. In response to Board Member Cora Speck's question, Violet stated some of the Hawaii registry's surveillance data gets included in national databases, but the needs questions do not get included.

C. Neighbor Island Activities – Kauai: Board Member Rita Manriquez reported she was able to assist her friend, who had fallen and hit her head, through information provided by the Department of Health Falls Conference. Board Member Rita Manriquez suggested that Ross Oshiro present sports related and non-sports related information on concussions at the Falls Conference (see above).

D. DOH Update – No DOH updates.

VI. **Announcements**

A. Brain Injury Association of Hawaii

1) *Support Group and Educational Meetings*

- a. First Saturdays, 1-3 p.m., Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific, Wo Conference Room #4. 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m., Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific, Wo Conference Room #4. In response to Board Member William Rodrigues' question, Lyna stated the meetings are going well, and on the previous night, July 20, 2016, they had a speaker from project Dana present on fall prevention. Lyna also stated they have a

Game Night (e.g., chess, cards, etc.) on the last Wednesday of the month, 6-8pm. If anyone wants to attend, please contact Lyna Burian at 521-7721 to confirm. In response to Board Member William Rodrigues' question, Lyna stated Saturdays have the most people, about 20 people, and the second and third Wednesdays have less people attending.

VII. Next Meeting:

Date: September 15, 2016

Location: Kalanimoku VCC and Neighbor Island Sites

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:20 p.m.