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STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD (STBIAB)

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: May 18, 2017

Present: Albert Burian, Rita Manriquez, Kawena Young, Lila Ota, Stephanie Yee
Excused: William Rodrigues, Cora Speck, Mary Wilson
Others: Lyna Burian, Brain Injury Association of Hawaii (BIA); Violet Horvath, Director of Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC); Howard Lesser, Hawaii Disability Rights Center (HDRC)
DOH Staff: Wendie Lino, Community Alternatives Section Supervisor; Curtis Inouye, Neurotrauma Supports; Chelsea Ko, Neurotrauma Supports; Cristina Valenzuela, Neurotrauma Supports

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by DOH Staff Curtis Inouye. Quorum present.

- II. **Approval of Minutes from the March 16, 2017 meeting** – Board Member Lila Ota made a motion to accept the Minutes as written. Board Member Kawena Young seconded the motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of minutes being accepted as written. No questions or discussions.

III. **Review of Agenda** – Board Member Rita Manriquez made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Board Member Kawena Young seconded that motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of accepting the agenda as written. No questions or discussions.

IV. **New Business**

A. Senate Concurrent Resolution (SCR) No. 105

Senator Roz Baker introduced a Senate concurrent resolution #105/ House concurrent resolution #165 that resembles Senate Bill #924. The concurrent resolution will request the auditor to assess the social and financial effects of requiring health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for medically necessary cognitive rehabilitation therapy for survivors of traumatic brain injury.

Ms. Lyna Burian, of Brain Injury Association of Hawaii, reported the passing of SCR No. 105 by the Legislature. The American Speech and Hearing Association, the Physical Therapy National Board, and the Occupational Board are currently watching to see how the bill is progressing.

No further questions from the Board.

B. TBI Brochure Distribution

Suggested places for the distribution of the TBI Brochure:

- Employers
- Public Health Nursing offices
- Hospitals
- University of Hawaii and Community Colleges
- The Aging Disability Resources Centers
- Community Health Centers
- Other organizations that work with people with TBI, stroke, and spinal cord injury

Suggestions may still be emailed to DOH Neurotrauma Supports at Ntrauma@doh.hawaii.gov

V. **Old Business**

A. 2017 STBIAB Goals

1. Create an educational campaign that will educate all on the differences between people with disabilities and people who suffered a traumatic brain injury
2. Distribution of TBI brochures to Employers and other organizations that work with people with TBI, stroke, and spinal cord injury

3. Bus placard campaign statewide
4. Recruit more board representation from neighbor islands

B. Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC)-Hawaii Neurotrauma Registry (HNTR) Update:
(From the HNTR Summary, as reported by Ms. Violet Horvath of PDC)

Contract Status-

- The current contract ends on May 19, 2017; an extension to the contract awaits the Governor's signature. In the meanwhile, Ms. Horvath was able to find funding elsewhere to support the HNTR staff for one more month.

Registry Participation-

- There are now 199 individuals currently registered; two of the three who took the survey in May 2017 were people for whom the Project Coordinator had provided information and referral (I&R)
- HNTR staff currently keeps track of those who requests I&R. Staff will begin the process of adding the names and contact information of persons who request I&R into the Registry, along with the information they request. They will also track which and how many persons who request I&R and also fill out the survey

Plan for increasing number of presentations-

- HNTR staff meeting held to list people/organizations to contact regarding presentations. Contacts made so far:
 - Ann Kobayashi, Chair of C&C Parks, Community, and Customer Services
 - City & County Office of Parks and Recreation-Summer Fun
 - Senator Karl Rhoads (convener of Keiki Caucus)
 - Senator Les Ihara/Rep. Gregg Takayama (Co-conveners of Kupuna Caucus)
 - Hawaii School for the Deaf & Blind-Family Learning Vacation
 - Center on Disability Studies/Comprehensive Service Center-Camp Manoa

Changes to HNTR survey-

- Questions for second and third neurotrauma injury removed
- Condensed introduction and consent
- Re-worded some questions for clarity
- Added options and changed formatting on some options

May HNTR e-newsletter-

- Launched Issue 6 on May 10 for Stroke Awareness Month
- Issue 7 scheduled for July 2017 with a focus on spinal cord injuries

C. Neighbor Island TBI Activities:

Per Board Member Rita Manriquez, the Aloha Independent Living office on Kaua'i is no longer operating.

- D. DOH Update:
No current updates

VI. **Announcements**

- A. Brain Injury Association of Hawaii (BIA):
1) *Support Group and Educational Meetings*
a. First Saturdays, 1-3 p.m., 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays, 6-8p.m., Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific, Wo Conference Room #4.
b. At the movies: Documentary about a Doctor with Brain Injury
Date: March 22, 2017
Time: 9:30 am
Location: Ward Center
- B. Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR): Order of Selection Hearing
Where: State Capital
When: May 30, 2017
Target: Anyone that might benefit from vocational and rehabilitation services
- C. Stroke Fair:
Where: Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific
When: August 6, 2017
- D. Footsteps to Transition Fair:
Where: Windward Community College
When: October 21, 2017

VII. **Next Meeting:**

- Date: September 21, 2017
Location: Kalanimoku VCC and Neighbor Island Sites
Time: 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:25 p.m.