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## STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD (STBIAB)

### MEETING MINUTES

DATE: May 9, 2018

Present: Albert Burian, Lisa Dau, Kawehi Kauhola, Rita Manriquez, William Rodrigues, Stephanie Yee, Kawena Young

Excused: None

Others: Lyna Burian, Brain Injury Association of Hawaii (BIA); Violet Horvath, Director of Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC); Allison Tsuchida, UH-HCAMP

DOH Staff: Chelsea Ko, Neurotrauma Supports; Cristina Valenzuela, Neurotrauma Supports

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order at 1:50pm by Chair William Rodrigues. Quorum present.
- II. **Approval of Minutes from the February 1, 2018 meeting** – Board Member Kawena Young made a motion to accept the Minutes as written. Board Member Lisa Dau seconded the motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of minutes being accepted as written. No questions or discussions.
- III. **Review of Agenda** –All Board Members present voted in favor of accepting the agenda as written. No questions.

#### IV. New Business

##### A. Project Head, Neck, Spine (HNS) Update:

*(Highlighted points from Project: Head, Neck, Spine Report, as given by Allison Tsuchida of UH-CAMP)*

Project HNS is a middle school online curriculum and resource aimed to align with the following Hawaii Content and Performance Standards III for Health 1, 3, 4, and 8: content comprehension, accessing valid resources, use interpersonal communication skills, and advocate for health. Students will be able to make informed choices and decisions about their health and be advocates for health and safety as it pertains to head, neck, and spine injuries when they leave school and engage in various activities with their friends.

To date, Project HNS has 1)submitted DOE research application, 2)completed content for all 8 modules-, 3)sent out content for validation to DOE health teachers and 5 doctors to further validate health information, 4)completed teacher dashboard with instructions, 5)teacher module overview, 6)started on teacher lesson plans, and 7)designed a template for take home activity/handout.

Project HNS is looking to launch in Fall 2018, as soon as it receives DOE approval.

##### B. STBIAB Membership Update:

STBIAB welcomed its newest board member, Kawehi Kauhola, a Nurse Manager for the Neuroscience Intensive Care Unit and the Neuroscience Medical-Surgical/Telemetry Unit at The Queen's Medical Center. She is appointed as a trauma center representative for a term of three years.

Currently, there are seven active STBIAB members, with two At-Large positions still vacant. Possible candidates suggested by Neurotrauma Supports were Dr. Yamamoto of Rehab. Hospital of the Pacific to represent Brain Injury Association (BIA) and Ms. Patricia Walcyk. Board Members also suggested seeking statewide candidates with qualifications in areas such as sports medicine, military-veterans, physicians within DOE, and survivors of traumatic brain injury.

#### V. Old Business

##### A. Neurotrauma Strategic Plan Update:

Goal 1/ Objective 1.3, of the Strategic Plan, states: Increase awareness of knowledge of neurotrauma and identification among disability and health care providers, including mental health; community health; health care agencies providing in-home supports or caregiver services; and substance abuse programs.

Execution plans for Objective 1.3 include: 1) developing a general TBI training presentation-what is TBI, causes of TBI in Hawaii, and potential effects of TBI, 2) identifying agencies/organizations, 3) record training for dissemination, 4) identifying educational/training needs of providers, and 5) developing more targeted training for specific audience(s).

Board members suggested insurance companies as a possible addition to the list of agencies and participation in community fun-run/walk to raise TBI awareness. Another recommendation called for a review of past STBIAB events and presentations and update with current, applicable TBI information.

B. Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC)-Hawaii Neurotrauma Registry (HNTR) Update:  
*(Highlighted points from HNTR Summary Report, as given by Dr. Violet Horvath of PDC)*

In summary, as of April 30, 2018, 253 unique individuals have completed the HNTR survey. Five people completed the survey in March 2018; four were referrals from The Queen's Medical Center and Rehab. Hospital of the Pacific and one was completed by the spouse of someone who had an ischemic stroke.

A total of 30 referrals were received in April and contact was made with 15 individuals. Seven of these individuals consented to take the survey, but as of the end of April, only one person had actually participated.

In other announcements, resource manuals are currently being reviewed before they are made public. Resource manual will have information by type of neurotrauma injury. An online version will also be created once the manual is finalized.

PDC is currently finalizing the hiring of a project assistant and working on annual report for period of March 20, 2017-March 19, 2018.

C. Neighbor Island TBI Activities:  
No new updates

D. DOH Update:  
No new updates

## VI. Announcements

A. Brain Injury Association of Hawaii (BIA):

1) *Support Group and Educational Meetings*

- a. First Saturdays, 1-3 p.m. and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays, 6-8p.m., Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific, Wo Conference Room #4.

VII. **Next Meeting:**

Date: July 11, 2018

Location: Honolulu: Kinau Hale Building, 1250 Punchbowl St., 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room

Lihue: Kauai District Health Office, 3040 Umi St.

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/606524903>

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

Meeting Adjourned at 3:53 p.m.