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NEUROTRAUMA ADVISORY BOARD (NTAB)
MEETING MINUTES
August 25, 2022

Present: Rita Manriquez, Molly Trihey, Stella Wong, Dr. Eugene Lee, Scotty Sagum,
Matt Wells, Valerie Yamada, Leilani Nutt, Angie Enoka

Absent: Milton Takara

Others: Dr. Violet Horvath, Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC); Sherryl Brown, PDC;
Dr. Matthew Koenig, Queen's Medical Center (QMC); TJ Donayri, QMC;
Nicole Gustie, QMC; Dr. Nathan Murata, UHM-College of Education
(UHM-COE); Dr. Allison Tsuchida, UHM-COE; Dr. John Solomon, UHM-
COE; Troy Furutani, UHM-COE; Bill Rodrigues, State Traumatic Brain
Injury Advisory Board Member (STBIAB); BJ Wade, Brain Injury
Association of Hawaii (BIAH)

DOH Staff: Michele Tong, Neurotrauma Program

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order at 1:38pm by Chair Scotty Sagum.
Quorum present.
- II. **Approval of Minutes from the April 28, 2022 meeting** – Board Member Rita
Manriquez motioned to accept the minutes as written. Board Member Matt Wells

seconded the motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of the minutes being accepted as written. No questions or discussions.

III. **Review of Agenda** – Agenda accepted as written. No questions or discussions.

IV. **New Business:**

A. HCAMP BrainSpace

Report by Troy Furutani. BrainSpace is the Hawai'i Concussion Awareness Management Program's (HCAMP) online concussion education and awareness curriculum. BrainSpace was launched in November 2018 and offers video training courses for coaches, parents, educators, and high school student athletes statewide. BrainSpace curriculum meets Hawai'i Concussion Law, Act 262 requirement for concussion education for athletic community. . To date, 13,603 participants have completed the BrainSpace program including: 837 coaches, 4,481 parents, 5,416 educators, and 2,869 student athletes.

HCAMP is requesting \$20,000 from the Neurotrauma Special Fund to update BrainSpace videos with new evidence-based information. Funding will allow for the creation of a library of short videos, curriculum for youth leagues and sports officials, and program a new online platform that will allow for quick updates, making it more sustainable.

Chair Scotty Sagum opened to board members for discussions and approval. Board member Stella Wong moved to approve HCAMP request of \$20,000 from special funds. Board member Molly Trihey seconded the motion. No further discussions.

Dr. Nathan Murata thanked NTAB members for their continuous support.

V. Old Business:

A. RAPID Hawaii Update:

Report by Dr. Matt Koenig. RAPID grant officially ends September 30, 2022.

RAPID active sites are Wahiawa, Castle, Hilo Medical, Kona Community, and Kaua'i Veterans' Medical hospital. Kuakini is moving forward with installation. At the end of project, all stroke-ready hospital will have RAPID installed.

Data shared listed the # of successful and unsuccessful CTP scans, # of received mechanical thrombectomy, number who received tPA, # who avoided transfer, and # of providers educated per site. Dr. Koenig will conduct site visit at Hilo Medical Center next week.

In 2022 QMC conducted 16 public stroke events in partnership with community organizations such as CVS and FarmLovers farmers markets. Report reflected data as of the last four months.

Dr. Koenig thanked NTAB members for their continuous support.

B. Project Head, Neck, Spine (HNS) Update:

Dr. Allison Tsuchida introduced Dr. John Solomon as the new lead on Project HNS. Dr. Solomon received his PhD in Education and served as administrator for several non-profits. Dr. Tsuchida has accepted a position as an assistant professor at UH-Manoa and needed to relinquish some responsibilities with HNS.

Report by Dr. John Solomon. Two (2) students are halfway through the curriculum and one (1) student completed. Enrolled two (2) new at-home high school students on Oahu. Teacher on Kaua'i will use curriculum this year with high school students. Not much enrollment due to summer break. No other changes since the last report.

The Hawai'i Afterschool alliance conference is tomorrow. Expecting over 200 participants. Met with DOE to continue Project HNS courses in the Fall to start from September 12- December 4, 2022. So far, 27 teachers have enrolled.

C. Statewide Activities Update:

Kaua'i

- Chair Scotty Sagum continuing to educate lifeguards about Surfer's Myelopathy on Kauai.
- Think BIG group hope to resume in-person meetings soon.

O'ahu

- Dr. Violet Horvath attempting to connect and network with newly hired JABSOM staff who have experience in the field of TBI.
- BIAH Update:
BIAH board meeting was held on August 9, 2022. Currently reviewing and updating bylaws. Conducted first face-to-face meeting at Makiki Park on August 10, 2022. Venue was not ideal, will be searching for alternative places. Next meeting will be on September 19th at the Pearlridge Mall food court.

The federal government passed a bill requiring all law enforcement agencies conduct staff training to recognize and de-escalate encounters with individuals experiencing PTSD/BI. BIAH newsletters will be mailed monthly. Dr. Horvath was confirmed as new board member. BIAH is holding a fundraiser on October 1, 2022 at the Pacific Club in Honolulu. Funding will go towards BIAH initiatives and operational costs.

D. DOH Update:

DOH Michele Tong conducted a PowerPoint presentation on the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline to educate and spread awareness.

VI. **Announcements:**

None.

VII. **Next Meeting:** Neurotrauma Advisory Board Meeting

Date: October 27, 2022

Time: 1:30 – 4:00 pm

Location: Kinau Hale
1250 Punchbowl Street
1st Floor Boardroom
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

VIII. **2022 NTAB Meeting Dates**

December 15

Meeting Adjourned at 2:47 pm.