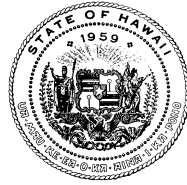


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NEUROTRAUMA ADVISORY BOARD (NTAB)

MEETING MINUTES

December 12, 2024

Present: BJ Wade, Molly Trihey, Scott Sagum, Valerie Yamada, Bill Rodrigues,
Angie Enoka

Absent: TJ Donayri, Stella Wong, Dr. Kent Yamamoto, Matt Wells

Others: Violet Horvath, Pacific Disabilities Center

DOH Staff: Michele Tong, Neurotrauma Program

I. Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 1:35 pm by NTAB Chairperson, Scott Sagum

II. Approval of Minutes from October 24, 2024

Board member Angie suggested correction of: “Molly suggested meeting monthly rather than every month.” To instead read, “Molly suggested meeting monthly rather than every *other* month.” Board member Scott Sagum motioned to accept the minutes with no additional changes or edits. Board member Molly Trihey seconded the motion. All board members present voted in favor of the minutes being accepted with the addition of the word “other”. No questions.

Voting to accept the minutes: Ayes 6 Nays 0 Abstentions 0

III. Review of Agenda

Agenda accepted as written. No questions or discussions.

IV. New Business

None

V. Old Business

A. Pacific Disabilities Center – Violet Horvath

No learning moment presentation for this meeting.

Presentations in November were on the island of Hawaii covering Medical gaslighting and Basics of advocacy. While there Violet attended and presented at the Hawaii Community Caregiver Network education workshop. Due to illness Violet was unable to participate as a virtual panel member at the FEMA Civil Rights Summit addressing gender violence during disaster response and also needed to postpone a trip to Indonesia to promote employment for people with disabilities.

B. Neurotrauma news across our State

Brain Injury Association of Hawaii – BJ Wade

December's BIOSG meeting will include a presentation from Hawaii Disability Rights Center and a holiday celebration. BIHi is working on obtaining helmets to be distributed at partner events. The 2025 BIHi resource conference that will be held in Hilo is in the planning stages with BIHi actively communicating with survivors and providers on Hawaii island.

Queens Medical Center (QMC) Trauma – Michele Tong for QMC Trauma

Three events were planned for November. One to train on “Stop the Bleed” and 2 helmet events. No events planned for December.

Queens Medical Center (QMC) Stroke – Michele Tong for QMC Stroke

10/26/24 Hawaii Stroke Coalition hosted an in-person retreat with the following topics/speakers: Intracerebral Hemorrhage, Navi Sangha, MD (KP); Stroke Rehab, Joel Stein, MD (Columbia); Aneurysm Management, Ferd Hui, MD & Sam Tsappidi, MD. Community outreach events in November included World Diabetes Day and the annual Turkey Trot. In December and January outreach will continue with attendance at health fairs in Kalihi and Wahiawa.

Kapiolani Medical Center (KMCWC) – Michele Tong for KMCWC

No update

SCI Survivor – Molly Trihey

No update

Stroke Survivor– Scott Sagum

No update

Hui Malama Po’o - Val Yamada

No update

TBI Survivor – Bill Rodriguez

No update

Kona Brain Injury Support Group - Michele Tong for Kona BI Support Group

- December – Orthogonal Chiropractic Technique
- January – Scams
- February - Stroke - BEFAST

VI. DOH Update – Neurotrauma Program - Michele Tong

Helped out at recent skateboard, helmet giveaway event in Aala Park with helmets provided through Skate Posse (<https://superskateposse.org/>) . During the event a closer look at the helmets revealed they were inadequate as protective gear.

Information labels in the helmets indicated:

- “does not meet any established safety standard”
- “Helmet for canoeing and white-water sports.”
- Manufacture date “2012”

NTP will meet with representative from Trust for Public Land to discuss concerns and provide information on safe helmet practices.

NTP opened discussion on NTP Strategic Plan FY25-30, Goal 1 “In coordination with community partners, expand educational opportunities to the public sector on all neurotrauma injuries to increase awareness on the effects of neurotrauma and how to respond to an injury.” In accordance with goal 1 and its objectives, members provided suggestions and feedback on reviving a brochure that was started under past NTP staff, including stroke support groups in our work, checking with QMC staff on a trauma resource booklet they were working on, and producing a postcard sized magnet with frequently used phone numbers. There was discussion on maintaining existing partnerships and how to bring on new educational partners/collaborators. For a curriculum that will be meant for first and second grade audiences, members voiced a need for information on proper helmets for the proper activity, approaching exercise as fun, healthy snack preparation. Consider use of vision boards, cartoons, and drawing, and interactive activities to impact learning. Lessons need to be age appropriate and include a tie in to parents. The purpose of the curriculum is to encourage a lifetime of healthy habits.

VII. Announcements

None

VIII. Next Neurotrauma Advisory Board Meeting

Date: February 27, 2025

Time: 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Location: Diamond Head Health Center and Zoom

I. 2025 NTAB Meeting Dates

February 27, April 24, June 26, August 28, October 23, December 11

Meeting Adjourned at 3:13pm