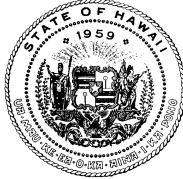


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STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD (STBIAB)

MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2025

Present: Bill Rodrigues, Lisa Dau, Cameron Rogers, Wayne Parsons, Stephanie Edwards

Absent: Rita Manriquez, Karen Klemme

Others: Violet Horvath, Pacific Disabilities Center; Troy Furutani, HCAMP; Jamie Higa, HCAMP; Nicole Gustie, Queens Medical Center; Ryan Tamashiro, Pacific Disabilities Center

DOH Staff: Michele Tong, Neurotrauma Program, Donovan Casison, Community Resources Branch

I. Call to Order - Meeting called to order at 1:37 pm by STBIAB chair Bill Rodrigues - Quorum was established.

II. Statement from Public and Written Testimonies Submitted - No public or written testimonies submitted

III. Approval of Minutes from November 4, 2025 - Board member, Lisa Dau, motioned to accept the minutes with no changes or edits. Board member, Bill Rodrigues, seconded the motion. All board members present at the time of voting voted in favor of the minutes being accepted with no further discussion,

questions, or edits. Voting to accept the minutes: Ayes 5, Nays 0, Abstentions 0

IV. Old Business

A. Update Neurotrauma Strategic Plan Fiscal Year 2025-2030

- Neurotrauma Special Fund (NSF) receives money from specific traffic violations such as child passenger restraint, certain accidents, speeding, and DUIs. In the late 1990s when legislation was crafted to create the NSF, e-bikes were not the mainstream consumer product it is today. This being so, e-bike violations were not included/considered as a funding mechanism for the NSF. QMC – Trauma will do an informational on e-bike presentation at the next STBIAB. Due to federal funding cuts, there is concern the state legislature will consider using NSF monies for other purposes.

<u>Violation</u>	<u>Amount to NSF</u>
Child passenger restraint 1st violation	\$10
Child passenger restraint 2nd violation	\$10
Child passenger restraint 3rd violation	\$10
Accidents involving death or serious bodily injury	\$500
Accidents involving substantial bodily injury	\$250
Accidents involving bodily injury	\$100

Noncompliance with speed limit prohibited	\$10
Under the influence of an intoxicant 1st violation	\$25
Under the influence of an intoxicant 2nd violation	\$25
Under the influence of an intoxicant 3rd violation	\$25

- The Partner Agency Work Group (PAW) met in December to define the elements of interviewing partner agencies with the goal of identifying opportunities for working collaboratively. The key areas of focus include who the agency serves, services they provide, impact of their efforts, current needs, and the agency's view of the state's role in the work they do.

B. University of Hawaii College of Education – BrainSpace contract

- HCAMP is currently working with 'Ōlelo to produce updated BrainSpace educational videos for different sports community populations including parents, coaches, officials, and student athletes. The videos are currently in the post-production phase with plans to review final cuts next week. The videos are being formatted for an online platform where users will take pre-tests, watch videos, and complete post-tests to measure knowledge improvement. Current usage statistics show nearly 9,400 people went through the current online program from January 2025 to December 2025. HCAMP recapped events within October and November that included

coaches' advisory meetings, parent meetings, and a wellness fair on Kaua‘i.

V. New Business - No items for New Business

VI. Open Forum

A. Neurotrauma news and announcements from across the state.

- Maui Memorial Medical Center is preparing for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) events that feature injury prevention messaging, survivor stories, and hands-on training. They are also planning a rural healthcare trauma training for Maui County on May 11, 2026.
- Kapi‘olani Medical Center for Women & Children (KMCWC) recently conducted car seat checks on Kaua‘i and have O‘ahu events scheduled for 2026, with the next one happening in late February. Following numerous pedestrian deaths, KMCWC will be running pedestrian safety programs with multiple sign-waving events through the Walk-Wise program. During an outreach event to Wai‘anae veterans’ and their families living in transitional homes, KMCWC provided helmets, pedestrian safety education, and clothing.
- QMC Stroke recently conducted stroke outreach at Kuhio Park Terrace (KPT) with a focus on the Micronesian community. They are planning a return visit to Ewa Makai Middle School to do stroke education with 450 more students. At North Hawaii Hospital and a farmer’s market in Waimea, QMC conducted stroke education. On October 27, 2025, Dr. Matthew Koenig, chairman of the Hawaii Stroke Coalition, filmed a podcast about stroke care in Hawaii with Jodi Leong on KHON2, *Working For Hawaii: Unscripted*. It will be rerun on KHII-TV on January 27, 2026, at 9 P.M. The podcast can be viewed at: <https://www.khon2.com/working-for-hawaii->

[unscripted/world-stroke-day-feat-dr-matthew-koenig-unscripted/](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=unscripted/world-stroke-day-feat-dr-matthew-koenig-unscripted/)

- On a national level, Wayne Parsons is currently working on changing building codes related to window falls. He is also working to restart distracted driving presentations at high schools.
- Brain Injury Association of Hawaii recently donated \$2,000 to QMC – Trauma for motorcycle helmets. Under this program, helmetless motorcycle and moped patients coming into the QMC’s ED are offered a helmet free of charge. BIHI is in the process of planning a statewide educational and informational meeting to be held in Hilo mid to late 2026. BIHi also completed two tours of the IHS transitional residential Kauhale where staff are working with previously houseless individuals to get them into permanent housing. BIHI will have tables at the OASIS Health Expo and Kaua‘i Healthy Living Spring Celebration. Violet Horvath will be attending a talk in February on the basics of disabilities at the Queens Conference Center. In March, there will be additional presentations on strokes and brain injuries. Ryan Tamashiro attended presentations with Violet Horvath about brain injuries and strokes. He is looking forward to additional learning opportunities in 2026.
- Kaua‘i Brain Injury Group held a Christmas card-making session and potluck in December. They are planning on showing a documentary about brain injury called “Music Got Me Here” at their meeting in January 2026.
- Neurotrauma Program reminded everyone about the upcoming Stroke Conference. The conference is scheduled for January 24, 2026, on all major islands. Everyone is encouraged to sign up if they haven’t already.

B. Public comment on issues not on the agenda for consideration at the next

meeting.

- QMC- Trauma will do an e-bike presentation at the next STBIAB meeting.

VII. Next State Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board Meeting

Date: ~~March 10, 2026~~ March 3, 2026

Time: 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm

Location: Diamond Head Health Center and Zoom

2026 STBIAB Meeting Dates

January 13, ~~March 10~~, March 3, May 12, July 14, September 8, November 10

Meeting Adjourned at 2:28 pm