Update from the Ohio Brain Injury Program

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Policy & Planning in Ohio

Brain Injury Program (ORC 3335.60)
- Re-located to OSU College of Medicine 10/01/2013
- Lead agency for brain injury policy & planning in Ohio

Brain Injury Advisory Committee (ORC 3335.61)
- Advises the Brain Injury Program
- Composed of state agency representatives, consumers, advocates, & professionals
IDENTIFIED 4 AREAS OF STRATEGIC EMPHASIS

- Have good data for statewide planning and evaluation.
- Have a workforce of healthcare and social service providers who understand TBI.
- Seek change in select service systems by implementing best practices for treating TBI.
- Increase the public’s and policy-makers’ awareness of the issues faced by persons with TBI and their families.
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**5 Facts about TBI in Ohio**

(from the Ohio Brain Injury Program and Ohio Brain Injury Advisory Council 2017 Biennial Report)

1. In 2014, 2,300 Ohioans died from a traumatic brain injury (TBI) and 118,000 injuries were treated in Emergency Departments or necessitated hospitalization.

2. Among the 6,770 hospitalizations for TBI in 2014, 65% involved mild TBIs; moderate, severe or penetrating injuries comprised the rest and totaled 2,400.
3. 1.8 million adult Ohioans (more than 1 in 5) have incurred at least 1 TBI in their lifetime with loss of consciousness; 225,000 have had a moderate or severe TBI.

4. Among the 2M adults in Ohio who in 2014 identified as having a disability, more than 635,000 had a TBI causing loss of consciousness sometime in their life; almost 100,000 had a moderate or severe TBI.

5. The TBIs that occurred in 2014 will cost Ohio $4.3 billion in medical expenses and lost wages.
1. Utilize existing TBI incidence data from ODH and ODPS for persons receiving medical care (ED and hospitalizations) to inform state policy and planning.

2. Estimate adult prevalence rates for history of TBI from Ohio BRFSS.

3. Encourage screening for a history of TBI among recipients of state services.

4. Add TBI curricula to pre-service training in 7 healthcare and social service professions: medicine, nursing, psychology, social work, counseling, education & corrections.

5. Augment TBI curricula for pre-service training of Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech Language Pathologists and Therapeutic Recreation professionals.
6. Promote adoption of team models when students return to school after a TBI.

7. Promote adoption of best practices in community integration for persons with TBI.

Ohio ACL Grant

- Target Ohioans in 6 aging and adult disability waivers (approx. 25,000 adults).
- Train case managers, other healthcare professionals serving waiver recipients to understand lifetime exposure to TBI, how to screen for TBI and accommodate its consequences.
- Support professionals and consumers with I & R services (by BIA Ohio), provide consultation to professionals and nursing facilities.
- Identify salient issues, effective practices and policy and procedural changes needed to create a system more responsive to persons with TBI.
Ohio ACL Grant Accomplishments

- Excellent cooperation among ODA, ODM and Ohio Brain Injury Program
- Screening for lifetime history of TBI added to the state’s Long-term Services and Supports Questionnaire as of October 2017—approaching 30,000 calls
- 2,000 case managers and healthcare workers trained in-person or online.
- Supplemental funding received to examine the gap between acute rehabilitation and HCBS and pilot a program to attain continuity from hospital to Aging and Disability Resource Networks

6. Promote adoption of team models when students return to school after a TBI.
7. Promote adoption of best practices in community integration for persons with TBI.
8. Promote adoption of best practices for behavioral health treatment of persons with TBI.
SBHP in Ohio Accomplishments

Trainings
Tier One: 16
Tier Two: 6
Tier Three: 3

Attendees
Tier One: 751
Tier Two: 297
Tier Three: 137

Providers in the SBHP Registry
173

Training Hours
238
9. Develop a public awareness plan to educate policy-makers and the public on the lifelong needs of persons with TBI and their families.
**Ohio BRAINS**

**Building Resources and Access through Integrated Networks**

Create or expand 6 programs for Ohioans with brain injury

- Centralized I&R
- Network Engagement Training and Support (NETS)
- Local Walk-in I&R
- Local Support Groups
- Local “Club Houses” or TBI Resource Centers
- Problem-oriented Case Management

**SEEK TO INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS & RESOURCES**

9. Develop a public awareness plan to educate policy-makers and the public on the lifelong needs of persons with TBI and their families.

10. Develop a plan for systematically communicating the availability of services and supports for persons with TBI and their families.
Ohio Brain Injury Program Staff
Tasks for 2018

• Complete current ACL State Implementation grant
• Obtain new ACL State Implementation grant
• Obtain funding to sustain the Star Behavioral Health Program
• Educate policy-makers and public on Ohio BRAINS proposal
• Seek adoption by other Social Work training programs in Ohio of modules created with the OSU College of Social Work

THANK YOU

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