PARTNERSHIPS THAT WORK:
ALABAMA’S TBI PROGRAMS

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PROTECTION & ADVOCACY PROGRAMS

- Information and Referral
- Advocacy
- Education and Training
- Investigation
- Monitoring
- Litigation
TBI SERVICE PROGRAMS

• Lead Agency
• Service Provision/Resource Coordination
• Advisory Board: Collaboration with Other Agencies
• Training and Education
• Information and Referral
• State TBI Advocacy Organizations
• ACL TBI Grants

http://nashia.org/StatePrograms.asp
WHY WORK TOGETHER?

• Strength in Numbers
• Good Cop, Bad Cop
• Sound Financial Sense
• Better for Consumers and Families
HOW TO WORK TOGETHER?

P&A Programs:
• Invite to attend/participate in Public Hearings/ Comments
• Include in Annual Priorities
• Learn TBI Programs and Staff
• Meet Regularly

Service Programs:
• Invite to attend/participate on Advisory Boards
• Include in State Plan
• Learn P&A Programs and Staff
• Meet Regularly
ALABAMA PATBI INITIATIVES

• Return to Play/Concussion Legislation
• Return to Learn/Concussion in School Settings
• Juvenile Probation Officer Orientation & OSU-TBI Identification Method
• PRTFs and OSU-TBI Identification Method
• Alabama Department of Mental Health and TBI Recognition
• Guardian Ad Litem Certification & Recertification
• Alabama Head Injury Foundation and Brain Freeze Challenge
Brain Freeze Challenge

The Alabama Disabilities Advocacy Program is pleased to join Alabama Head Injury Foundation in raising awareness about traumatic brain injuries. We invite you to take the challenge on Tuesday, August 29th, between 11:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. in the Ferguson Center Plaza. The steps are simple:

1. ACCEPT: Take the challenge! All you have to do show us your best pretend brain freeze look!

2. SHARE: We will post your picture to Facebook and our website, and encourage you to share it with others, challenging them to do the same! Others can send their picture to ahifbrainfreeze@gmail.com as we spread the word as far as we can!

3. GIVE: This is an awareness initiative first and foremost, but AHIF is also hoping to raise funds in support of our services to more than 3,000 individuals statewide living with TBI. Please consider making a small charitable gift in support of AHIF, but please know that giving is completely optional! You can donate at www.firstgiving.com/ahif.

Did you know?

- AHIF works with more than 3,000 brain injury survivors across Alabama
- Services include resource coordination, camps, support groups and respite care

Following their injury, many of our clients describe a persistent headache they endure as like having a perpetual brain freeze.

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WHAT ABOUT TRAINING?

P&A Programs:

• Train TBI Staff
• Invite to state events, meetings
• Invite to national conferences
• Present together

Service Programs:

• Train P&A Staff
• Invite to state staff meetings and events
• Invite to national conferences
• Present together
GRANT ACTIVITIES AND FUNDING

P&A Programs:

• Advocate for connecting when possible – training, screening
• Be aware of TBI relationships and new partners
• Invest TBI Funds into one big annual initiative

Service Programs:

• Incorporate into grant objectives when possible
• Be aware of P&A partners and relationships
• Introduce to new partners
OTHER NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

• Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
• National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCICP)
• Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
• National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)
• NIDILRR TBI Model Systems (TBIMS)
• Administration for Community Living (ACL)
• Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health
• Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center (DVBIC)
• National Intrepid Center of Excellence (NICoE)
• US Brain Injury Alliance (USBIA)
• American Brain Coalition
• Brain Injury Association of America (BIAA)
• Safe States Alliance
• National Collaborative for Children with Brain Injury (NCCBI)
TBI TRAINING FOCUS AREAS

- TBI Basics
- Services and Resources
- Criminal Justice/Juvenile Justice
- Special Education/Transition
- Concussion: Sports Related and Other
- Behavior/Mental Health/Substance Use

- Medicaid/Waiver Services
- Veterans
- Intimate Partner Violence/Domestic Violence
- Employment/Supported Employment
- Screening and Assessment
- Falls/Falls Prevention
NATIONAL ONLINE RESOURCES


• CDC Concussion materials: www.cdc.gov/headsup

• Accommodating the Symptoms of TBI: www.ohiovalley.org/informationeducation/accommodatingtbi/

• Brainline: www.brainline.org

• Get Schooled on Concussions: www.getschooledonconcussions.com

• The REAP Program and Manuals: www.REAPconcussion.com

• Ohio State University TBI Identification Method: www.ohiovalley.org/tbi-id-method/

• Think First/ National Injury Prevention Foundation: www.thinkfirst.org/concussion
QUESTIONS?

Alabama Disabilities Advocacy Program: www.adap.ua.edu

Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services: www.rehab.alabama.gov or www.alabamatbi.org