State Council for Persons with Disabilities

Brain Injury Committee

Priorities, Goals, and Objectives

1. Priority: Provide a network to identify and facilitate acquisition of enhanced resources

   Goal 1: Facilitate the ready availability of information on resources and services useful to persons with brain injury and their families.

   Objective 1.1: Promote the facilitation of the availability of care coordinators/specialists with expertise in public and private brain injury resources.

   Potential Action Items/Strategies
   • Provide input about brain injury in the SIM Care Coordination model.
   • Improved coordination of existing information systems such as BIAD and ADRC.

   Objective 1.2: Facilitate multimedia compilation and accessibility of current, comprehensive information on brain injury support options.

   (Potential revision: Facilitate the comprehensive compilation and the enhanced accessibility of current information on brain injury support options through a variety of methods such as flyers, web sites, training sessions, and email.)
2. **Priority: Provide a forum for the sharing and analysis of information**

**Goal 1: Increase information sharing among committee members and the organizations they represent**

**Objective 1.1:** Expand distribution of Brain Injury Committee information and meeting minutes within the organizations represented on the committee.

**Potential Action Items/Strategies**
- Determine current agency processes of distributing BIC information.

**Objective 1.2:** Revise Brain Injury Committee meeting agendas and protocols to increase sharing and learning among members.

**Objective 1.3:** Explore the development of other networking opportunities between Brain Injury Committee members

**Goal 2: Improve state data collection system on individuals with brain injuries, their needs, and the services**

**Objective 2.1:** Promote the improvement of useful data collection.

**Objective 2.2:** Identify existing sources of Brain Injury Data in Delaware

**Objective 2.3:** Develop the specifications **(alternate wording: requirements)** of an improved information system

**Potential Action Items/Strategies**
- Identify key objectives and essential functions of the data collection system.
- Identify the necessary elements to be collected
3. Priority: Provide technical assistance to educate public and private policymakers

Goal 1: Increase SCPD non-clerical staff capacity and resources

Objective 1.1: Acquire one FTE non-clerical position and an additional part-time clerical position.

Potential Action Items/Strategies

• Develop job descriptions for needed positions
• Research best options for acquiring this staff

Goal 2: Promote & advocate for laws, regulations, policies, services and funding to effectively serve the needs of people with brain injuries and their families

Objective 2.1: In the area of youth concussions, promote the establishment of a uniform documentation protocol between the medical community and the schools.

Objective 2.2: Promote a youth sports body to address education and regulation of community, recreation, and travel sports programs.

Potential Action Item/Strategy

• Explore if DIAA could be expanded.

Objective 2.3: Promote enhanced training of health care providers in brain injury diagnosis, management and treatment of concussions.

Potential Action Item/Strategy

• Explore statutory change that would require physicians who manage concussions to complete approved training in diagnosis, management, and return to activity (school and sports).
Objective 2.4: Expand brain injury resources by 2016.

Potential Action Item/Strategy
- Review & improve brain injury fund application process

Objective 2.5: Work with the Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance to revise assessment to better identify behavioral and cognitive deficits.

Objective 2.6: Collaborate with SCPD Policy and Law committee to ensure the effective implementation of this goal (thoughts on additional wording: to provide input on state legislation, regulations, and policies to effectively support the development and expansion of brain injury programs and services.)

4. Priority: Be an advocacy agency and promote a consumer-oriented, effective injury and preventive service delivery system

Goal 1: Promote brain injury precaution and recourse options

Objective 1.1: In collaboration with the Coalition on Injury Prevention and BIAD, revise the State’s strategic plan for injury prevention by August 2015.

Objective 1.2: Promote and facilitate a visible public injury prevention campaign by the end of 2015.

Objective 1.3: Increase the number of DIAA-affiliated schools which have active concussion management programs.

Objective 1.4: In concert with the SCPD Policy and Law Committee, provide input on state legislation, regulations, and policies with significant effect on brain injury prevention and recourse options.