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**Brain Injury Programs  
and  
Texas Brain Injury Advisory Council  
Health and Human Services Commission**

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**Update to the Texas Council on Cardiovascular  
Disease and Stroke  
February 12, 2021**



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# Brain Injury Programs

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## Brain Injury Programs

- Comprehensive Rehabilitation Services (CRS) program
  - Provides services and supports to individuals that have experienced a traumatic brain injury and/or traumatic spinal cord injury
- Office of Acquired Brain Injury (OABI)
  - Focuses on all acquired brain injuries traumatic and non-traumatic.
  - Center of awareness and education on brain injuries in Texas
  - Connects people to resources and services and raises awareness to prevent brain injuries through internal and external collaborations

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## Brain Injury Awareness Month

March 2021

- Texas Brain Injury Conference and Webinar Series – “Bridging Silos: Connecting Systems of Care with a Person-Centered Approach”
- Governor’s Proclamation
- Social media messaging
- BIP highlight video
- Press release
- National Association of State Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA) highlight

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## Brain Injury Awareness Month

2021 Texas Brain Injury Conference and Webinar Series

- Bridging Silos: Connecting Systems of Care with a Person-Centered Approach
- Webinars at noon every Wednesday  
<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXHHSC/bulletins/2bfd134>
- Conference on March 25-26  
<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXHHSC/bulletins/2ba1dd0>

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## Brain Injury Awareness Month

2021 Texas Brain Injury Webinar Series

- March 3: Introduction of Person-Centered Thinking Principles and Brain Injury
- March 10: Co-occurring Disorders: Substance Use and Brain Injury
- March 17: Brain Injury among the Veteran Population
- March 24: Correlations with Domestic Violence and Brain Injury
- March 31: Bridging the Silos - National and State Initiatives

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## Brain Injury Awareness Month

2021 Texas Brain Injury Conference


March 25 (1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.)

- Stroke and Cardiovascular Disease
- Brain Injury and Health Disparities/Racial Equity
- Brain Injury and Vocational Rehabilitation

March 26 (8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)

- Brain Injury: Criminal and Juvenile Justice
- Mental Health and Emotional Needs Following a Brain Injury
- Acquired Brain Injuries-Educational Needs for Students

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## NCAPPS

National Center on Advancing Person-Centered Practices and Systems (NCAPPS)

- HHSC – technical assistance grant to advance person-centered practices across the agency
- Presentation and panel discussion on HHSC’s Person-Centered Practices Strategic Plan – presentation to HHS Leadership (February 16)

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## NCAPPS

National Center on Advancing Person-Centered Practices and Systems (NCAPPS)

- BIP – Brain Injury Learning Collaborative (joining 14 other states)
- Technical assistance from NCAPPS
- Best practices and strategies from other states to enhance person-centered thinking, planning, and practices for persons with brain injury

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## NCAPPS

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NCAPPS Brain Injury Learning Collaborative goals:

- Develop person-centered training for persons with a brain injury and those who support them
- Develop a peer mentor model for people with a brain injury
- Ensure service delivery including assessments and treatment plans for people who are supported by CRS are person-centered
- Update the brain injury resource guide to ensure the person-centered language

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## NCAPPS

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NCAPPS Brain Injury Learning Collaborative accomplishments:

- Developing stories for person centered thinking (PCT) training that are specific to traumatic brain injury and traumatic spinal cord injury
- BIP staff being certified as PCT trainers
- CRS Program's model of care incorporates person centered practices
- Reviewing and updating the Texas Brain Injury Resource Guide to reflect person centered thinking language

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# TBIAC

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Texas Brain Injury Advisory Council (TBIAC)

- addresses strategic planning, policy, rules and services related to preventing brain injury
- recommends best practices for rehabilitation, long-term services and supports for people who have experienced a brain injuries to improve their quality of life, ability to function independently in the home and community.

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# TBIAC

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Next Meeting – April 19, 2021

<https://hhs.texas.gov/about-hhs/leadership/advisory-committees/texas-brain-injury-advisory-council>

2020 Legislative Report

Subcommittee projects

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## TBIAC

### Initiatives

- Review available data and relationships with the use of motorcycle helmets
- Review data related to brain injury rehabilitation
  - how many people with brain injury participate in therapy
  - the rehabilitation timeline
  - variations in outcomes
- Develop a family navigator program
- Research medication services for long-term services and supports without a lapse in services

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## Brain Injury Programs

- Please subscribe to the Office of Acquired Brain Injury through HHS GovDelivery to receive updates on program and council events and activities.  
<https://service.govdelivery.com/accounts/TXHHSC/subscriber/new>

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# Thank You

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