

**Traumatic Brain Injury Services Coordinating Council**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, April 10, 2014**

**10:30am – 3:00pm**

**Empire State Plaza, Concourse Level, Meeting Room 125**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action/Next Steps/Who/When</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<p><b>Present:</b> Barry Dain, Timothy Pruce, Nina Baumbach, Chad Cook, Anne Sternbach, Colleen Scott, Lydia Kosinski, Megan Clothier</p> <p><b>Absent:</b> Michael Davison, Kenneth Ingenito, Barry Jordan, MD, Meredith Klein, Cher Montayne, Lisa Robateau-Epps, Michael Kaplen, Joseph Vollaro, Debby Zetterstrom,</p> <p><b>Ad-hoc Members Present:</b> Ann Calabrese</p> <p><b>DOH Staff:</b> Christopher Phillips, Jacqui Thomas, Laura Roe, Helen Hines</p>	
<b>Welcome</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The meeting was called to order; Barry Dain presided over the meeting.</li> <li>• The 9/30/13 meeting minutes were reviewed.</li> <li>• A quorum was not present, therefore it was noted that no voting could be done at this meeting, including voting on revisions to the bylaws.</li> <li>• A question was raised by Colleen Scott regarding her committee assignments, as listed the 9/30/13 minutes.</li> <li>• A conference call was initiated for those interested parties unable to attend in person.</li> </ul>	
<b>Repatriation of Out of State Nursing Home Residents</b>	<p><b>Jacqueline Pappalardi</b>, Director, Division of Nursing Homes and ICF/IID Surveillance, Center for Health Care Quality and Surveillance, NYSDOH,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of her Division</li> <li>• Role of the Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) in the repatriation of out of state nursing home residents, including individuals with TBI</li> <li>• Nearly 400 NYS MA beneficiaries, currently out of state nursing home residents, are being assessed for repatriation and placement in the community.</li> </ul>	
<b>Kahrmann Advocacy Coalition</b>	<p><b>Peter Kahrmann</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of efforts by the KAC on behalf of individuals in New York with a brain injury.</li> <li>• Providers are encouraged to be CBIS trained.</li> <li>• Efforts to create and administer an Office for People with Brain Injury</li> </ul>	
<b>State Agency Updates</b>	<p><b>New York State Department of Financial Services (DFS) – Chad Cook</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of the health benefits exchange package continues.</li> </ul> <p><b>New York State Education Department (NYSED)-ACCESS-VR – Anne Sternbach</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lois Tannenbaum has joined State Rehabilitation Council</li> <li>• ACCESS-VR has launched a statewide Transition Unit for recent high school graduates</li> </ul>	

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<b>New Business</b>	<p><b>Committee Reports-</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Repatriation Committee/MRT Committee:</b> No report - Joe Vollaro was not in attendance.</li> <li><b>2. Education/Training Committee:</b> Judy Avner was not in attendance. Barry invited Vicky Clingan (BIANYS) to report. She spoke of upcoming BIANYS conferences and CBIS training.</li> <li><b>3. Membership committee:</b> Barry Dain reported seven current member’s terms have expired. He shall inquire whether they intend to continue as members. If so, he will encourage them to contact the appropriate legislator for reappointment. There are two vacant seats.</li> </ol>	
<b>Old Business</b>	No items could be voted upon. A quorum was not in attendance.	
<b>Public Comment</b>	<b>Brent Feuz</b> gave a summary of first responder protocols, to be presented at a future meeting.	
<b>Next Meetings and Adjournment</b>	Future meetings were scheduled for Monday, June 2, 2014 and Monday, September 8, 2014 in Meeting Room 125 on the Concourse of the Empire State Plaza. The meeting was adjourned.	

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