

Federal Traumatic Brain Injury Program State Grant Fact Sheet

VIRGINIA

Implementation Partnership Grant: 6/1/2014-5/31/2018

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Federal TBI Program

More than 3.17 million Americans live with a disability as a result of a traumatic brain injury (TBI). Many of these individuals and their families are confronted with inadequate or unavailable TBI services and supports. Passage of the Traumatic Brain Injury Act of 1996 (PL 104-166) signaled a national recognition of the need to improve state TBI service systems. The Act authorized the Administration for Community Living (ACL) to award grants to States for the purpose of planning and implementing needed health and related service systems changes.

Lead State Agency

Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

Virginia's Grant History

Virginia has received \$3,573,485 in Federal TBI Planning, Implementation, and Implementation Partnership Grants. The State has provided \$1,785,260 in matching support.

Infrastructure-at-a-Glance: 1997-2015

■ * Added by 2016 ■ ** Maintained or Regained ■ *** Lost by 2016

Advisory Council or Task Force	TBI Registry/Surveillance	TBI Medicaid Waiver	Head Injury Division in State Department	Dedicated Funding for TBI Programs	State Funding for TBI Programs
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Grant Objectives

1. Conduct outreach to newly injured Virginians; provide timely information and referral services; support and empower family caregivers.
2. Increase the knowledge and expertise of Virginia-based professionals providing services to persons with brain injury (BI).
3. Provide education and training materials on brain injury screening; develop procedures for non-Brain Injury providers that facilitate identification, treatment, and access to resources for their consumers with brain injury.
4. Build the resource facilitation capacity of existing state-funded community-based brain injury providers; create tools that facilitate resource sharing and problem solving.

Progress

- Annual Caregiver Forum
- Annual Brain Injury Educational Conference
- Sports Concussion Webinar
- Biennial Brain Injury Report Out Day
- Directors / Direct Services Retreats for BI Program staff

- BI First Software System implemented with all state-funded BI Programs statewide
- Statewide moderated listserv/forum for BI case managers
- Virginia Brain Injury Council's Neurobehavioral Services "White Paper" updated via federal grant subcontract with James Madison University; ongoing dissemination and presentations

Continuing Effort

Implement screening project in eight non-BI community sites across Virginia: Centers for Independent Living, Area Agencies on Aging, Community Services Boards, and Free & Charitable Clinics. Seek funding and state policy changes that enhance Virginia's infrastructure for delivery of core brain injury services; advocate for state/federal approval of Medicaid Waiver that serves people with BI; and continue to build/strengthen partnerships with non-BI service providers by exchanging targeted knowledge and information on resources.

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