

# Federal Traumatic Brain Injury Program State Grant Fact Sheet

## ARKANSAS

Implementation Partnership Grant 4/1/06-3/31/10

### 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 Health Resources and Services Administration to award grants to States for the purpose of planning and implementing needed health and related service systems changes.

### Lead State Agency

Arkansas Department of Health

### Arkansas' Grant History

Arkansas has received \$448,911 in TBI Planning and Implementation Partnership Grants. The State has matched the Federal grants with approximately \$227,231.

### Infrastructure-at-a-Glance: 1997-2011

■ \* Added by 2011   
 ■ \*\* Maintained or Regained   
 ■ \*\*\* Lost by 2011

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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### Continuing Effort

- Membership in TBI Advisory Council to gain information to provide technical assistance to calls from the public
- Provided templates to Disability Rights Center for TBI conference agendas and hospital resources booklets
- Included BIA-Arkansas president in older adult falls prevention coalition

### For Further Information

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Go to <https://tbitac.norc.org> for information on additional State TBI activities.

### Grant Objectives

Arkansas currently does not have a Federal TBI Program State Grant

### Progress

- Assumed responsibility as Lead Agency for TBI.
- Hired full time TBI program coordinator
- Established TBI Statewide Advisory Board
- Made needs assessment survey available on BIA website
- Collaborated with BIA for TBI awareness activities in 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010
- Contracted for statewide needs assessment
- Produced bumper stickers and posters for TBI awareness
- Provided hospitals with TBI resources booklet