

Federal Traumatic Brain Injury Program State Grant Fact Sheet

GEORGIA

Implementation Partnership Grant: 4/1/06-3/31/09

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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 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

Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission

Georgia's Grant History

Georgia has received \$897,486 in Federal TBI Planning, Implementation, Post-Demonstration, and Implementation Partnership Grants. The State has provided approximately \$463,764 in matching support.

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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Grant Objectives

Georgia does not currently have a Federal TBI Program Implementation Partnership Grant.

Progress

- Trained state's ADRC's to screen and report TBI.
- Proposed a Youth Sports Concussion bill for adoption by the state of Georgia
- Funded broadcast of CDC-produced sports concussion podcasts for statewide audience
- Funded and initiated a series of statewide Town Hall meetings on TBI topics
- Convened new evaluation committees to measure effectiveness of state action plan and Commission programs.

Continuing Effort

As the Lead Agency, the Commission funds a variety of programs for the State of Georgia including the state's Central Registry for TBI and statewide Information and Resource Coordination through the Brain Injury Association of Georgia. The Traumatic Injury Advisory Committee is in its fourth year of implementing the Commission's Ten-Year State Action Plan including formation of the Georgia Concussion Coalition to educate and support the need for concussion legislation; Children and Youth committee activities to screen, identify and meet the needs of Georgia's school age children with TBI.

The TBI Task Force is creating TBI specific training for direct support professionals and collecting data on the need and capacity to provide neurobehavioral services for waiver recipients.

The Commission is now administratively attached to the GA Department of Public Health.

For Further Information

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