

Federal Traumatic Brain Injury Program State Grant Fact Sheet

MISSISSIPPI

Unfunded, Had FY '97 Planning Grant

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

Department of Rehabilitation Services

Mississippi's Grant History

In 1997 Mississippi received a \$66,619 Federal TBI Planning Grant. The State provided \$42,983 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

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

Progress

- Identified the Department of Rehabilitation Services as the Lead Agency.

Continuing Effort

As a result of the initial planning phase, several significant systems change needs were identified. For example, it was learned that individuals with TBI and their families are often unaware of existing TBI services and supports, have difficulty accessing appropriate services and supports, or services and resources are unavailable in some communities.

For Further Information

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