

Federal Traumatic Brain Injury Program State Grant Fact Sheet

WASHINGTON

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

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 Social and Health Services, Aging and Disability Services Administration

Washington's Grant History

Washington has received \$1,063,600 in Federal TBI Grants. The State has provided \$443,711 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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	Under consideration				

Grant Objectives

Washington currently does not have a Federal TBI Program Implementation Partnership grant.

Progress

- 2007 TBI legislation passed creating in Washington State statute, a \$1.5 million TBI Fund and established a Governor's Appointed TBI Strategic Partnership Advisory Council
- 2009 legislation passed creating youth athlete return to play law that requires medical clearance of youth athletes suspected of sustaining a concussion, before sending them back in the game, practice or training. The new law is the most comprehensive return-to-play law in the United States for athletes under 18

- ADSA and the TBI Council collaborated to submit to the legislature a TBI State Plan outlining recommendations for use of available dollars through the TBI Fund and pinpointing strategies for improving statewide infrastructure for TBI

Continuing Effort

Washington State continues to strengthen services and programming for individuals with TBI through the legislatively mandated annual TBI State Plan. Current efforts supported by the TBI Fund include a TBI specific Information and Referral line, a TBI website, a TBI resource management program, a pilot TBI Clubhouse, TBI support group stipends, an annual TBI conference, TBI peer mentor program with Veterans Conservation Corp on 33 college campuses, funding support services for families of returning members of military who have sustained a TBI, development of three types of curriculum for law enforcement and medical trauma workers, and public awareness activities focused on specific under-served populations.

For Further Information

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