

1. Agenda topic: Welcome, Review of Minutes & Introductions**Pier Protz**

Discussion	Pier Protz, Vice Chair, welcomed everyone to meeting. The voting members approved June's minutes via chat box.		
Conclusions			
Action Items		Person(s) Responsible	Deadline

2. Nominations for Council's Chair**Scott Pokorny and Pier Protz**

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pier Protz solicited nominations or recommendations for the council chair. Any council member can fill the chair role. The individual will be responsible for working with DMH staff, legislative updates related to brain injury and facilitating reports from standing committees. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jordan Slade advised he may have a recommendation for the council chair position. Roseanne Randell volunteered to assume the chair position. Scott suggested that every active member should rotate in fulfilling the chair role. Scott Pokorny solicited nominations or recommendations for chair and vice chair of Service Delivery committee. One of the two individuals will need to be a council member. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geana Welter volunteered for the vice chair position. Laurie Stickney is considering the chair for service delivery role and requested a copy of the chair's responsibilities. 		
Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pier Protz will remain the acting chair through December 2021. 		
Action Items			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disseminate a listing of vacant roles and responsibilities of the committees. 	Scott Pokorny	

3. DHB Updates**Michelle Merritt**

Discussion	<p>Michelle Merritt provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NC Medicaid Transformation – Standard Plans launched 7/2021 and Tailored Plans will launch 7/2022. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> B3 services will transition to 1915i services (including TBI services for adults) in Tailored Plans. The following TBI services will be included: Community Transitions, Respite, Community Living and Support, Supported Employment and Individual Supports for individuals with a mental health diagnosis. Stakeholder engagement is forthcoming. Allied Health is available to individuals on the TBI Waiver which included OT, PT and SLP . 		
Conclusions	The committee discussed lack of transportation being a barrier for Allied Health.		
Action Items			

4. Agenda topic: Children & Youth Update**Karin Reuter-Rice**

Discussion	<p>Karin Reuter-Rice provided the following quarterly updates for Children & Youth committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DHHS TBI concussion material C&Y with DPI developed a County-led sports association list Concussion Emergency Department information brief specific to children and youth for the Secretary of DHHS BIANC Child and Youth Brain Injury Library and Hosted Sessions 		
Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 		
Action Items		Person(s) Responsible	Deadline

6. Agenda topic: TBI Data**Shana Geary**

Discussion	<p>Shana Geary provided the following TBI-related data:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of 2019, there were 2,108 TBI Related Deaths, 7,264 Hospitalizations and 27,470 ED visits. White Hispanic Males has the highest occurrence of TBI related deaths and ED visits. Self-inflicted injury by firearm is the leading cause of deaths. Rates of TBIs are higher amongst older adult population. 		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unintentional falls are the leading cause of hospitalizations. 		
Conclusions	Data regarding Acquired Brain injury is desired by the committee.		
Action Items		Person(s) Responsible	Deadline

7. Agenda topic: BIANC Update

Daniel Pietrzak

Discussion	Daniel Pietrzak provided the following updates regarding BIANC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual Open-house in the Charlotte area on September 15, 2021 Virtual Camp 2021 will be held during September 27 – 30, 2021 Virtual Conference November 21- November 26, 2021 with Jamie Valvano as guest speaker. Thriving Surviving Class – provide day options for individuals Digital and Television advertising regarding BI. 		
Conclusions	Daniel encouraged the council to visit their website to see updates.		

8. Agenda topic: DMH/DD/SAS TBI Program

Michael Brown

Discussion	Michael Brown provided the following updates regarding the TBI Program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most funds for FY21 are expended except for \$85,223.04. 1,052 TBI screening amongst 6 of the 7 LME/MCOs. \$489,999.08 has been expended for BIANC state and federal funds. 		
Conclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carryover of funds are permissible. There will be further meetings with Partners regarding unexpended funds. 		
Action Items		Person(s) Responsible	Deadline

9. Agenda topic: ACL Requirements for BIAC

Scott Pokorny

Discussion	Scott Pokorny facilitated the discussion regarding ACL requirements for BIAC composition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is concern regarding the ACL requirement to include at least 50% of people with TBI requirement. This means to council would need to increase membership by 16 additional individuals. The following will occur if guidelines aren't met: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased monitoring More frequent (quarterly) reporting Conversion from advanced to reimbursement payments Loss of funds The committee discussed the pros and cons regarding the ACL grant and requirements. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIANC has benefited from funds to support individuals with brain injury. - pro NC legislators discourage against large council groups. - con Individuals with lived experience (ex. Family members) and staff with various departments will no longer have a vote. – con 		
Conclusions	The council agreed to convene a workgroup to develop a plan to meet ACL requirements and to determine if the council will keep the ACL funding.		
Action Items		Person(s) Responsible	Deadline
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request the ACL's definition for "lived experience". Email disseminated to the council to solicit others to join the workgroup. 		Scott Pokorny Janice White	

10. Agenda topic: Council Member Update

Carol Ortiz

Discussion	Carol Orntiz provided the following Public Policy updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing meetings with legislators to discuss concerns on a national level regarding TBI and TBI funding. TBI group will be added to SCFAC with 3 seats. SB248 – passed Victim's Fair Treatment Act- pending 		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Consultative Services – Continuity of care is an issue. • Concussion Protocol for Recreation - pending
Conclusions	
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible Deadline
Once session is over a bill update will be provided.	Carol Ornitz

11. Agenda topic: Adjourn

Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pier Protz adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.
Conclusions	
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible Deadline
Next meeting scheduled for 12/8/21 from 9:00a.m. - 1:01 p.m. virtually	

Respectfully submitted: Stephanie Jones, Michael Brown and Scott Pokorny