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Division of Mental Health, Developmental
Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services

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Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services - TBI Overview

State Funded Program – The Local Management Entity-Managed Care Organization (LME-MCO) are allocated funding to provide TBI specific services and supports to individuals with TBI living in their respective catchment area. The Brain Injury Association is also contracted to provide education, training and TBI outreach activities statewide.

TBI Grant- Five-year \$185,847 grant awarded to NC DHHS, DMHDDSAS by ACL. The TBI program contracts much of this grant to BIANC who aims to reach at least 32,000 people annually. The funds will be used to continue to strengthen and improve the state infrastructure for further development of TBI services, supports and educational initiatives statewide.

TBI Waiver – Initial 3-year pilot (2018) for adults whose injury occurred after age 22 with the goal of placing 49 individuals the 1st year, 99 the 2nd and 107 in the 3rd year. The program is currently available to eligible individuals living in the Alliance Health (LME-MCO) catchment area (Wake, Durham, Johnston and Cumberland counties) with plans to expand to other counties. Waiver offers variety of services and supports to eligible individuals. Potential services includes personal care, life-skills, cognitive rehabilitation, home and/or vehicle modification, technology supports, occupational, PT, ST, OT, day and employment supports.

Brain Injury Advisory Council- The BIAC consists of 33 members (23 voting and 10 ex officio non-voting members) and meets quarterly. The purpose of the BIAC is to review the nature and cause of traumatic and other acquired brain injuries in NC. The BIAC also makes recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Secretary of DHHS regarding the planning, development, funding, and implementation of a comprehensive statewide service delivery system to address the needs of brain injury survivors. The TBI program provides administrative support to the council.

Data- Ongoing data initiatives to assist in determining the number of individuals living with TBI statewide such as: TBI screenings at six of the seven LME-MCO's and Claims Data Reviews. The TBI Program is working with the Quality Management Section at the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services (DMH/DD/SAS) to determine the number of individuals that have accessed publicly funded services such as physical health, mental health and substance use service systems.

Training and Outreach- Training opportunities are available statewide online currently and in-person post COVID when possible. The TBI Program contracts with BIANC to provide education, outreach and training i.e. Brain Injury Basics, TBI and Co-Occurring Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders, TBI & Aging, TBI and PTSD in the Military and Crisis Intervention Training. The online training modules include topics such as Identification of TBI among Medical Professionals and the Primary Care Workforce as well as TBI and Public Services in NC. Education/training material can be found at <https://www.bianc.net/resources/education-training/> and the online learning can specifically be found at: <https://bianc.academy.reliaslearning.com/>