

# TBI Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

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## Call to Order

A TBI Advisory Board Meeting was held on Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at the Telcoe/University Tower, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room. Terri Imus called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M. and began introductions. Previous meeting minutes were approved.

## Guest Presenter

Crystal Payne (Person living with TBI)

## Attendees

Kim Lamb, MS (Assistant Director of Programs, TBI State Partnership Program, UAMS)  
 Terri Imus, RN, BSN (Director of Operations, Trauma Telemedicine Coordinator, IDHI, UAMS)  
 Daniel Bercher, PhD, NRP, CBIS (Assistant Director, TRRP, UAMS)  
 Kristen Alexander, MPH, MPS (Health Educator, Trauma Rehabilitation Resources Program, UAMS)  
 Edward Williams, BSN, CBIS (Nurse Educator, TRRP, UAMS)  
 Amber Watson, MBA (Administrative Coordinator, TRRP, UAMS)  
 Shiela Beck, CBIS (Therapy Coordinator, Easter Seals Arkansas Children's Rehab)  
 Samantha Cawyer, (PT Student, Arkansas State University)  
 Jenny Frederickson, PT (Clinical Coordinator for Brain Injury & Stroke Program, BHRI)  
 Amy Goddard, MS, OTR/L, CBIS (Consultant for Students with Brain Injury, Arkansas Department of Education)  
 Stacy Gravett, MA, CRC (Vocational Rehab Counselor, Arkansas Rehabilitation Services)  
 Kelsey Ingle, MS, CCC-SLP, CBIS (Administrative Speech Pathologist IV, BHRI)  
 Steven Long (Program Coordinator, ICAN)  
 Tom Masseur (Executive Director, Disability Rights Arkansas)  
 Jim Mather (Executive Director, AR Sources)  
 Miranda Morris, MA (Executive Director, Arkansas Center for Health Improvement)  
 Valerie Oji, MD (Director, Innovative Pharm & Consulting; Associate Professor, Harding University)  
 Joe Page III, MSCJ (Warden, Arkansas Department of Correction – Tucker Unit, & person living with TBI)  
 Dan Parker (Retired RN, Parent & caregiver of person living with TBI)  
 Gigi Parker (Retired SLP, Parent & caregiver of person living with TBI)  
 Crystal Payne (Person living with TBI)  
 Susan Pierce (Director of Policy and Planning, Disability Rights Arkansas)  
 Jon Wilkerson (Chair, TAC Rehab Committee; TBI Researcher, University of Arkansas)

## TBI SPP Update

Kim Lamb gave the TBI SPP Update.

- The TBI State Partnership Program grant is now in Year 2
- Proclamation for Brain Injury Awareness month in March
  - Statistics are being added then it will be sent for the governor to sign
- **Upcoming Events**
  - The Mary-Thon
    - One-mile awareness walk will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at the NLR Riverwalk in North Little Rock, Arkansas
    - Presented by Miracles for Mary, TBI SPP & Trauma Rehabilitation Resources Program
  - TBI Advisory Board Retreat

- Currently planned for May 12<sup>th</sup> at Camp Aldersgate
  - Hopeful to have guest speakers
- Administration for Community Living (ACL) Meeting
  - Will be in DC from March 2-5, 2020
  - Terri Imus, Kim Lamb & Joe Page will attend
  - Asking for information to pass along to take with them
  - A lobbyist from NASHIA will be attending to represent
- **Regional Brain Injury Workshop**
  - Held on December 9, 2020
  - Approximately 70 attendees
  - Featured 2 survivor stories
  - The next event will likely be held in the Spring
- **Arkansas State Plan**
  - A state plan is one of the required outcomes for the grant
  - Data is being collected at events
  - Jim Mather will have a look at the data and help develop the state plan
- **Work Groups**
  - Each group has been meeting for a year and now have ideas
  - Next step is to determine outcomes
  - Kim Lamb asked each member to think about the group they are in. If it is not the right fit, please let her know and arrangements can be made to switch work groups.

## Trauma Rehabilitation Resources Program Update

Dr. Daniel Bercher presented TRRP (previously ATRP) update.

- **Family Resource Guide**
  - TBI packets are given to newly diagnosed traumatic brain injury patients.
  - Previous version of the Family Resource Guide is currently in revision. Kristen Alexander is in charge of this task.
  - Focus will be on health literacy, updating information, including only relevant information
  - Pulling in best examples (i.e. Missouri Green Book)
  - Once done, this will be given to newly diagnosed TBI patients in lieu of the packets that are currently being used
- **Retreat**
  - TRRP team attended a retreat on January 16, 2020
  - During discussion it was found that case-management is desperately needed for TBI patients
    - Rachel Ott at UAMS is currently searching for TBI grants that can help fund a case management program.
  - Another element that was discussed is to possibly serve all brain injuries like ACL does, not just traumatic brain injuries
- **Discharge Instructions**
  - Edward Williams has been working on getting the discharge instructions for TBI/SCI patients at UAMS to include our call center number in discharge information. UAMS will now include this information in their TBI/SCI discharge instructions.
  - Mr. Williams hopes that other hospitals will be able to adopt this and replicate this easily.

- **Teleclinic Flyers**
  - Teleclinic flyers have been distributed to the UAMS PMR clinics in order to promote teleclinic.
  - Face to face clinic visits are getting teleclinic flyers (UAMS)
- **TBI Video Series**
  - Plan to develop a full video series of different TBI cases
  - Will include all kinds of stories with different outcomes

## Presentation

Edward Williams introduced Crystal Payne.

- Crystal Payne began sharing her story and introduced her video.
- In 2018, was involved in a side-by-side accident
- Sustained a traumatic brain injury as well as other serious injuries, was in a medically induced coma for approximately a month and a half, had 4 surgeries
- Mrs. Payne expressed her concerns with those who do not have access to the same resources and support system as she has had.
- Video is available for view at <https://vimeo.com/389337289>

## Arkansas Sub-Workgroup Breakout/Updates

Breakout session began at 11:05 A.M. Updates began at 11:28 A.M.

- **Arkansas State Plan**
  - Jim Mather presented the Arkansas State Plan update
  - Will look at the data provided from event surveys
- **Underserved Populations**
  - Edward Williams presented the underserved populations update in the absence of Sara Hodge
  - What is the best way to communicate with TBI patients or to send surveys?
    - Use the TBI Registry
    - Facebook group
    - Mailings
- **Trust Fund/Waiver/Financial Strategies**
  - Dr. Daniel Bercher presented the Trust Fund/Waiver/Financial Strategies update
    - Need to be able to prove a return on investment
    - Has an idea on a few payors and will reach out to them
      - Potential pilot idea

## Adjournment

The TBI Advisory Board Workgroup Retreat at Camp Aldersgate will be held on May 12, 2020. The next TBI Advisory Board Meeting will be held on August 11, 2020. Meeting adjourned at 11:35 A.M.