Ohio Brain Injury Program and Brain Injury Advisory Committee created by the Ohio General Assembly in 1990

After location in the Ohio Department of Health and the (then) Ohio Rehabilitation Services Commission, moved to Ohio State University in 2013

Guided by a 5-year Strategic Plan developed by the Brain Injury Advisory Committee with input from community stakeholders

Public meetings quarterly in Columbus with virtual participation as well
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What is it?
- Person-Centered
- Assistance accessing services that is more than I & R but not as in-depth as Case Management
- Opportunity for education and personal growth
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Assisting individuals with brain injuries or their family members to:

• Navigate resources and supports responsive to their needs
• Identify the nature and extent of their history of brain injury
• Develop skills and knowledge for self-advocacy
• Identify opportunities for optimizing their brain health
• Articulate their long-term plan for achieving their goals

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• Provided virtually by Ohio Brain Injury Program staff
• Staff “Resource Advisors” with expertise/experience in brain injury rehabilitation and community-based services.
• Referrals from anywhere in Ohio by any agencies or self-referral
• No cost
• Evaluation of service delivery by:
  o Participant satisfaction upon completion
  o Change in satisfaction with community participation 6 months post-initiation
  o Cost-offsets from negative consequences that were avoided or reduced
• Customizing case management software to support staff service provision
Levels of Engagement

1. Why contacting (presenting goal/request)
   • Rule out safety and/or crisis situation
   • Identify immediate response to presenting goal/request
   • Establish means for continued communication

2. Engage in “Lifeline” exploration of the role of brain injuries in their life

3. Identify accommodations for neurobehavioral issues

4. Identify brain health opportunities

5. Assist in articulating short- and long-term plan (including the role of OBIC in that plan)

Ohio Brain Injury Connection
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Ohio Brain Injury Advisory Committee meetings

In person: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm
2nd Floor, Ohio Union  April 21, 2022
North High Street  July 21, 2022
Columbus  October 20, 2022
Or attend via Zoom

Other ways to get Involved with the Ohio Brain Injury Advisory Committee

Participate in a Work Group
- Services
- Education & Training
- Data
- Communications

Join our e-mail list by sending a note to: ohiobraininjury@osumc.edu
Questions?

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