

# ENGAGE. INTEGRATE. INSPIRE.

The mission of the BIAC is to engage, integrate and inspire brain injury stakeholders to help achieve the  
Statewide Vision for Brain Injury Policies and Services.

## **Brain Injury Advisory Council (BIAC) Meeting**

**September 8, 2023 - 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. CT**

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## **AGENDA**

### **10:00 – 10:30 am: ENGAGE**

#### **Call the meeting to order – Judy Nicholson**

*Please enter your name in the chat box so the Recorder can take attendance and determine a quorum. We ask that you join the meeting with your camera on if possible, and keep your microphone or telephone muted if you're not speaking to reduce background noise.*

#### **Approve June 23, 2023 meeting minutes and September 8, 2023 meeting agenda – Judy Nicholson**

*BIAC members, please read the past meeting minutes and the new agenda before the meeting and be prepared to offer any corrections to the minutes or additions to the agenda if needed. Vote to approve.*

#### **Introductions – Keri Bennett**

*Please welcome our new member, RaLynn Jacobsen of South Central Nebraska Area Agency on Aging (ADRC representative). All members will have the opportunity to introduce themselves.*

### **10:30 – 10:45 am: INTEGRATE**

#### **Brain Injury State Plan – Liz Gebhart-Morgan of Partners for Insightful Evaluation (PIE)**

*BIAC members, before the meeting, please review the documents pertaining to the work group's progress on State Plan activities converted to SMART Goals (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound.) No vote will be needed, but we will appreciate your questions and feedback.*

### **10:45 – 11:30 am: INTEGRATE**

#### **Brain Injury Needs Assessment – Liz Gebhart-Morgan of Partners for Insightful Evaluation (PIE)**

*BIAC members, please review the Needs Assessment Overview document and draft handouts before the meeting. Liz will provide an update on the brain injury needs assessments and documents being developed to help inform the data collection tools. Feedback will be sought regarding possible geographic information system (GIS) map content and two draft handouts with brain injury data. Be prepared with any input, questions or comments. We will have break-out rooms for 15 minutes for small group discussion and 15 minutes to report back in large group.*

### **11:30 – 11:40 am: Break**

### **11:40 am – 12:10 pm: INSPIRE**

#### **Long-Term Care Ombudsman program presentation – Penny Clark, DHHS**

*Penny will present on the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program housed in Nebraska's Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and her role as Ombudsman. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.*

**12:10 – 12:30 pm:**

**Working Lunch**

*Please break for lunch for 20 minutes. Please feel free to bring your meal back to the meeting as we continue to work through our agenda.*

**12:30 – 12:50 pm: *INSPIRE***

**My Brain, My Self pilot presentation – *Peggy Reisher, Executive Director and Anna Cole, Resource Facilitator, Brain Injury Alliance of Nebraska (BIA-NE)***

*Peggy and Anna will provide an update on this important pilot, which is funded by Nebraska VR's federal TBI Grant. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.*

**12:50 – 1:05 pm - Updates: *ENGAGE and INSPIRE***

**Committee and Contractor Reports (written reports)**

*Please read the written reports and be prepared with any questions or comments for the Committee Chairpersons.*

**Public Policy – *Tiffany Armstrong*; any other legislative updates.**

**Membership – *Carla Lasley* (no written report)**

**Contractor reports (written report) and ACL Workgroup Updates – *Keri Bennett***

**1:05 – 2:00 pm: *ENGAGE and INSPIRE***

**Roundtable Discussion: *All Members***

**Unfinished (Old) Business (if any)**

*If there are questions regarding past BIAC business items that were unresolved, you may raise them here.*

**New Business (if any)**

*If you have a new topic or issue you believe the BIAC should consider, you may raise it here and request it be added to a future meeting agenda.*

**Adjourn**

**Next Meeting:** December 15, 2023