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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

June 13, 2025 - 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. CT

Zoom information for connecting: <https://educationne.zoom.us/j/94166263913>

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AGENDA

10:00 – 10:30 am: ENGAGE

Call the meeting to order – Council Chair, Emaly Ball

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.

Introductions –Emaly Ball and all members

Emaly will introduce our new members, Jessica Coffey and Kristen Larsen, and all members will briefly introduce themselves.

Approve March 28, 2025 meeting minutes and June 13, 2025 meeting agenda – Emaly Ball

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.

10:30 – 11:00 am: ENGAGE and INTEGRATE

Nebraska Stroke Systems of Care and Task Force – Becka Neumiller, Stroke and CISM Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services

Becka will present on the Nebraska Stroke Systems of Care and Task Force. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

11:00 – 11:10 am – Break

11:10 – 11:55 am: ENGAGE and INTEGRATE

TARC State Self-Assessment Tool – Designated Lead State Agency - Keri Bennett

Keri will present on the Designated Lead State Agency Component and then we'll join breakout rooms for 15 minutes for small group discussion. Please choose a person in your group to take notes. Each group will then report out to the large group. The small group discussion questions are 1. From your perspective, how well is Nebraska VR doing in helping to lead efforts to build a strong system of supports for Nebraskans who are impacted by brain injury? 2. What are some ways that Nebraska VR can strengthen and improve its support for the Council in its mission to "engage, integrate and inspire brain injury stakeholders to help achieve the Statewide Vision for Brain Injury Policies and Services?"

11:55 am – 12:15 pm:

Working Lunch

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.

12:15 – 12:30:

BI State Plan Progress – Keri Bennett

Keri will update on recent progress. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

12:30 – 12:40 pm: ENGAGE and INTEGRATE

ABI Peer to Peer Support Project award – Keri Bennett

Keri will share information on the ABI Peer to Peer Support Project award. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

12:40 – 1:10 pm: INSPIRE

Online Brain Injury Screening and Support System (OBISSS) and Remove/Reduce, Educate,

Adjust/Accommodate, Pace (REAP) – Peggy Reisher – BIA-NE

Peggy will give presentations on OBISSS and REAP. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

1:10 – 1:25 pm: INTEGRATE

Federal and funding updates from NASHIA and ACL – Zaida Ricker, Director of Strategic Partnerships and Policy, National Association of State Head Injury Administrators (NASHIA)

No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

1:25 – 1:35 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 – (written report only) - Tiffany Armstrong

Please review the written report. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

Membership – (written report only) – Carla Lasley

Please review the written report. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

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

Please review the written reports. No member action is needed, but there will be time for questions.

1:35 – 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 – Please complete our survey at the end of the meeting. Your feedback helps the BIAC leadership continue to improve your member experience. Thank you!

Feel free to stay on for the “Parking Lot” after the meeting adjourns!

Next Meeting Date: September 19, 2025