State Population & TBI

State of Hawaii population in 2015 - 1,431,603

Estimated TBI related emergency department visits per year - 3,460

Estimated TBI related non-fatal hospitalizations per year - 339

Estimated New TBI disabilities per year - 232
The sole mission of the Hawaii Disability Rights Center is to protect and promote the human, civil and legal rights of individuals with disabilities, as established in the constitutions and laws of the State of Hawaii and the United States, through the provision of information and advocacy.

HDRC, formerly known as the Protection and Advocacy Agency of Hawaii, is a private non-profit public interest organization established in 1977. It is Hawaii's designated Protection and Advocacy (P&A) System for People with Disabilities, and Hawaii's designated Client Assistance Program (CAP) for applicants and clients of programs funded under the federal Rehabilitation Act.

PATBI - Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury

Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury, 42 USC 300d-53, was authorized in the Children's Health ACT of 2000.

More than 5.3 million Americans live with a disability as a result of traumatic brain injury (TBI). Many of these individuals and their families are confronted with inadequate or unavailable TBI services and supports. Passage of the Traumatic Brain Injury ACT of 1996 signaled a national recognition of the need to improve state TBI service systems.

PATBI Services

The PATBI statute and funding enables HDRC to provide services for people with Traumatic Brain Injury:

1. Information and referral;
2. Individual Advocacy;
3. Assistance with Self-Advocacy;
4. Legal representation