

**BCSIP SCHOOL RE-INTEGRATION TASK FORCE
MEETING MINUTES JUNE 2011**

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Progress towards Task Force suggestions and Goals:

Bonnie Rice will write to the Centers for Disease Control CDC to obtain feedback on what measures they have implemented with regard to traumatic brain injury TBI. This includes the CDCs progress with dissemination of TBI information, and the use of tools provided by the CDC. Jennifer Hykes will note and encourage use of CDC tools to assess levels of brain injury and facilitate school reintegration during the Fall 2011 conference call with her statewide team. Bringing information to the team in during the Fall of 2011 conference call will help prompt the statewide team and encourage schools to order kits from the CDC kit for each school.

Endorsements for TBI was discussed no endorsements available at this time as we are not disability specific. Jennifer is working on course for teachers of TBI students with the BIAF Brain Injury Association of Florida. The TBI booklet yellow book that is distributed to parents and teachers and available online will be updated. More information regarding the update will be provided at a later meeting. The Task Force discussed differences in mild, moderate and severe TBI and implications for Individualized Education Programs IEPs. The Task Force discussed the possibility of providing statewide and regional TBI trainings. The Task Force will explore this further in future meetings. The team also discussed exploring the option of having TBI consulting teams with some level of expertise available for statewide consultation using Skype or Adobe Connect as well as consortia for TBI. Starting in Fall of 2011 Jennifer will work to identify levels of expertise among individuals across the school districts.

Lorilynn brought up the issue of students with TBI as a population to consider with risk management issues. Isabel will explore the TBI knowledge base of coaches and physical education teachers in Miami-Dade and possible training during the Fall of 2011. The next call is scheduled for Thursday, July 7, 2011.