Governor's Task Force on Traumatic Brain Injury **INFORMATION SURVEY Survivor and Family Member Ouestionnaire**

(Service Provider Questionnaire)

Governor John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., formed The Governor's Task Force on Traumatic Brain Injury with Executive Order NO. 01-02. One of the charges to the Task Force is to "... make recommendations regarding a coordinated state agency response to brain injury which focuses on the needs of persons with brain injury..." In carrying out this task, the Task Force is seeking your assistance and input so that our report reflects the perspective of persons with brain injury, their families and that of service providers. The following survey is targeted to persons with brain injury, their families and friends.

We request that you take the time to complete the following questionnaire. The form allows you to comment in narrative form so that you are not limited to the choices offered. All of your responses will be confidential. You may fill in your name if you wish, but it is not necessary.

You can also help by helping us reach others who may be interested in commenting. To request that we mail or email a questionnaire to someone else, please provide us with their address or email address in the space provided. Thank you for your involvement.

1. Are you a:

- □ Person with Brain Injury
- □ Family member or Friend
- Advocate
- Other

2. If you are a person with a disability, please check ALL that best describes your disability:

- □ Traumatic Brain Injury
- Other Brain Injury:
- □ Spinal Cord Injury
- 3. I consider the major issues associated with my injury to be (check all that apply):
 - \Box Physical \Box Cognitive \Box Behavioral
- Do you have additional comments about your condition that you would like to share with 4. us:

- 5. Age at which brain injury occurred: _____
- 6. At this point in time, how satisfied are you with your life? Circle the number below that best describes your current feelings of life satisfaction. 1 means: "I am very dissatisfied with my life." 5 means: "I am very satisfied with my life."

 $\Box 1 \quad \Box 2 \quad \Box 3 \quad \Box 4 \quad \Box 5$

6a. Do you have additional comments about your life or condition relating to your life satisfaction that you would like to share with us:

If you don't mind, please tell us about yourself:

7. Age

- □ Under 18
- □ 18-25
- □ 26-44
- □ 45-64
- \Box 65 and over
- \Box Don't wish to answer

8. **Race:** (Check all that apply.)

- □ American Indian or Alaska Native
- □ Asian
- □ Black
- □ Pacific Islander
- □ Hispanic or Latino
- □ White non Hispanic
- \Box Don't wish to answer

9. Type of area you live in:

- \Box Urban (city)
- □ Rural (country)
- □ Suburban (small community near a city)

10. Zipcode you live in: _____

11. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

- □ Some high school
- □ High school graduate/GED
- □ Technical or vocational school graduate
- \Box Some college
- □ Undergraduate degree
- □ Graduate or professional degree
- \Box Don't wish to answer

12. Below are some questions that will let us know what you consider your most important issues/needs. Please rate each of these by their degree of importance:

Issues/Needs		Degree of importance							
	Most	\leftarrow	Neutral	\rightarrow	Least				
Medical Issues/Medications									
Memory/Cognitive issues									
Attention/Focusing Skills									
Anger Management Issues									
Isolation									
Financial Issues									
Housing Issues									
Transportation Issues									
Public Awareness of TBI									

13. Please feel free to make additional comments on other issues/needs not listed above.

14. Below are some questions that will let us know what you consider the most significant obstacles/barriers to receiving services. Please rate each of these by their level of significance for you:

Obstacles/Barriers	Level of Significance						
	Very	\leftarrow	Neutral	\rightarrow	Not		
Living in rural area							
Insurance doesn't pay for needed services							
Insurance coverage stops too soon							
Poor communication with service providers							
Not meeting eligibility requirements							
Services not designed to meet individual needs							
Hard to find helpful information about services							
Hard to know where to start to get services							
System is confusing							

15. Please feel free to make any comments on any other significant obstacles or barriers that you have or are encountering.

16. Types of assistance you are receiving: (Check all that apply.)

- □ SSI Social Security Insurance
- □ SSDI Social Security Disability Insurance
- □ Medicare
- □ Medicaid
- □ OHP Oregon Health Plan
- \Box Food stamps
- □ Vocational Rehabilitation
- □ Transportation Assistance
- □ Family Respite Services
- □ Housing Assistance
- □ Supportive services
- \Box In-home Care
- □ No Assistance

17. What assistance or services are you receiving that have not been listed, or additional comments on items listed above.

18. Overall, how satisfied would you say you are with Oregon's response, programs, and policies for persons with brain injury?

- □ Very satisfied
- □ Satisfied
- □ Somewhat Satisfied
- □ Not Satisfied
- □ Not at all satisfied
- □ Don't know
- 19. If you (or your loved one) are currently receiving services, how are they working? Select the number below that best describes your opinion. 1 means: "services are terrible." 5 means: "services are great."

 $\Box 1$ $\Box 3$ $\Box 4$ $\Box 2$ $\Box 5$

- 20. In your opinion, what change or changes in services would have the most positive impact on you or your family member?
- 21. Please use this space to add any additional comments, recommendations or to ask any questions that you have.
- 22. If you would like to be put on our email mailing list, please fill in your email address below.
- 23. If you know of others who would like to receive this survey, please fill in their names and addresses, or email addresses, and send or fax to addresses below.

Please mail or fax completed Survey to:

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