Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver Eligibility Criteria

An individual applying to participate in the TBI waiver must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be a recipient of Medicaid coverage that supports community-based long-term care services;
- 2. Have a diagnosis of traumatic brain injury (TBI);

<u>Note</u>: Individuals who experience deficits similar to a traumatic brain injury as a result of anoxia, toxic poisoning, stroke or other neurological conditions may also be eligible. Individuals with gestational or birth related difficulties such as cerebral palsy or autism or who have a progressive degenerative disease, are not eligible for the waiver.

- 3. Be between the ages of 18 and 64 upon application to the waiver;
- 4. Be assessed to need a nursing home level of care as a direct result of the traumatic brain injury. Nursing home eligibility is determined by the Hospital and Community Patient Review Instrument and SCREEN (PRI/SCREEN). The form must be dated within 90 calendar days of the individual's application packet to the waiver and be completed by an individual certified to use the tool:
- Choose to participate in the waiver rather than reside in a nursing facility by signing the Freedom of Choice form, Application for Participation form and Service Coordination Selection form:
- 6. Identify the residence in which the waiver participant will be living when receiving waiver services;
- 7. Complete an Initial Service Plan and Application Packet in cooperation with a Service Coordinator and be approved by the Regional Resource Development Specialist (RRDS). This Plan must describe why the individual is at risk for nursing home placement without the services of the waiver and indicate how the available supports and requested waiver services identified in the Plan will support the health and welfare of the potential participant; and
- 8. Have a completed Plan for Protective Oversight (PPO).

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver Participant Enrollment Information

TBI Waiver Enrollment by Region as of June 2015

| Region | Active Participants |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Adirondack | 204 |
| Binghamton | 271 |
| Buffalo | 331 |
| Capital | 371 |
| Long Island | 336 |
| Lower Hudson Valley | 267 |
| New York City | 457 |
| Rochester | 463 |
| Syracuse | 383 |
| TOTAL | 3083 |

Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Waiver TBI Active Participant Demographics

As of 08/14/2015



