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## New York's Protection & Advocacy System and Client Assistance Program

### PROTECTION & ADVOCACY FOR PEOPLE WITH TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (PATBI) PROPOSED PROGRAM PRIORITIES OCTOBER 1, 2017 to SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

#### Priority I

Ensure that individuals with Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) will be afforded meaningful access to the New York State TBI Waiver program, Nursing Home Transition and Diversion (NHTD) Waiver, and other supports and services.

#### Objectives

- Advocate for individuals with TBI who are unnecessarily institutionalized, including out-of-state nursing facilities;
- Advocate for access to appropriate supports and services, particularly when denial is due to behaviors associated with TBI;
- Advocate for individuals with TBI who are dually diagnosed and eligible for other waivers to receive cross-system services and supports;
- Monitor the transition of waiver services to a Medicaid Managed Care system.

#### Priority II

Conduct outreach, education and provide technical assistance to ensure that individuals, including individuals in underserved communities, throughout New York State know about DRNY, the P&A system, and can access appropriate services for individual with TBI.

#### Objective

- Provide training, create publications and conduct outreach to clients, advocacy groups, judges, providers and policy makers;

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- Conduct outreach on the P&A system and DRNY throughout New York State and identify barriers to underserved communities.