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Annual Report

2018-2019



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Chair's Report



It has been a year of hard work for Brain Injury SA (BISA), rewarded by bringing to fruition some key strategic priorities.

It is a year in which we embraced considerable change, including a review of our strategic agenda in a changing operational environment driven by the NDIS. We said goodbye to our CEO of over three years, Nahtanha Davey, whose work set the strong platform for the opportunities that now present. We have been pleased to welcome a new CEO, Liz Forsyth, whose leadership has built on this agenda and enabled BISA to pursue exciting new initiatives for the community we serve.

Through this environment of change, BISA is fully committed to remaining a strong and leading voice in support of people living with ABI, their families and carers. Our efforts are also focused on broadening and enhancing the suite of services and programs we provide, with our interdisciplinary therapy program Rewire a natural priority for the transformative impact it can have on a person's quality of life.

Along with continuing to deliver evidence-based and tailored services to the ABI community, our aim is to make BISA more easily accessible to our participants. Our new Rewire Southern Hub at 15 Alexander Kelly Drive, Noarlunga, adds to our Central Hub at Light Square and allows us to reach out to those in the Southern suburbs. These impressive new premises have been made possible by our growing partnership with Flinders University, who share our interest in making a difference in the community and developing the highly skilled professionals of the future. We look forward to further developing this partnership and the establishment of a Rewire Northern Hub in the coming year.

Our achievements are made possible by our passionate staff. The dedication of the management team, allied health professionals, qualified support workers and administration staff is reflected in the positive feedback we receive.

I want to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Board members and the BISA team who strive to meet the needs of the ABI community. Our vision is simple: to enable people to embrace life after brain injury, and I am more confident than ever that this vision can become a reality.

Vladimir Malcik
Chair

CEO Report



It has been my great pleasure to join this wonderful organisation as CEO in October 2018 and I have been fortunate to join a team so committed and professional in the work they undertake.

It has been a busy but very fulfilling year, as we have developed our capacity to respond to the needs of the ABI community with quality and accessible services. The NDIS has brought exciting change to the service sector and, while not without its own operational problems, it is demanding more of service providers who in turn can respond with many more service options than previously possible. We are excited to have expanded our sites of service provision while also continuously improving our programs and services that support people to achieve their goals following brain injury.

To ensure we offer the best possible services, it has been important to develop our infrastructure and our staff. Establishing our new Rewire Southern Hub in Noarlunga Centre was an important milestone, as was a complete refresh of IT operations to give us the flexibility to provide services in multiple locations. The staff team has grown accordingly, and we now enjoy a wider range of skills and experience among our staff, along with a dynamic environment in which to assist developing the future generation of allied health professionals with our active student placement program. We thank Flinders University for their collaboration and their commitment to sharing knowledge and ideas. We were similarly thrilled to host a seminar during the year by Dr Tim Feeney, whose leadership in the field of brain injury has been of great inspiration in the development of our interdisciplinary therapy program, Rewire.

In reviewing our values earlier in the year, it was significant that we identified collaboration as an important driver for future success. We recognise that working together and with others achieves far more

than working alone. We continue to enjoy our partnership with the Lifetime Support Authority and appreciate their support in finding new ways to respond to service needs. Their sponsorship of events that spread important information and messages about brain injury, such as the Dr Feeney seminar and Brain Injury Awareness Week launch, is also greatly appreciated.

Brain Injury SA is an organisation with a proud history of advocacy and service delivery to people living with brain injury, their families and carers. The year has kept our advocacy and appeals staff very busy with an additional extension of services to people needing support to engage with the NDIS and having no next of kin to undertake this with them. The Decision Support Pilot has been funded by the Department of Social Services and has proved to be an important linkage for this group in the community. Other new initiatives to address unmet need has been the commencement of a new two-year project called So Connect, assisting individuals who are not eligible for NDIS to connect with other services in the community. Funded by an Information, Linkages and Capacity Building (ILC) grant from the NDIA, this project is allowing Brain Injury SA to both assist more people while expand its connectivity to the service sector as a whole for the benefit of service users.

Without a supportive and suitably skilled Board, Brain Injury SA would not have been able to realise many of the things it has achieved during the past year. With Chair Vladimir Malcik and the diverse input of skills and experience of all the Board members, we can look forward to continuing our journey of growth and development. I have appreciated their collective support and wisdom and look forward to continuing our work together in the coming year.

In closing I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work and contribution to the wonderful things we have achieved this year, and look forward to working together to deliver on our revised strategic plan so that we can make an even bigger difference to the lives of people living with ABI.

Liz Forsyth
CEO



Year in Review

August 2018

Brain Injury Awareness Week 2018

Brain Injury SA again hosted the South Australian launch of Brain Injury Awareness Week, a national initiative aimed at building greater understanding of ABI among the general public. More information about this inspiring event can be found on page 9 of this report.

Farewell to Nahtanha Davey

In August 2018 we farewelled Nahtanha Davey, who had led Brain Injury SA as CEO since 2015. The period was one of great transformation, and Nahtanha established the pathway of change required for BISA to embrace the new service delivery environment created by the NDIS. We thank Nahtanha for her significant contribution to the development of BISA and wish her well for the future.

October 2018

Welcome to new CEO

Liz Forsyth was appointed CEO of BISA in October 2018, coming from a background in leadership roles within the community and disability service sectors. Liz brings a strong commitment to increasing the contribution the organisation can make to the lives of people with ABI and their families. She recognises the critical importance of collaboration at a time of considerable change to service access and provision, and looks forward to strengthening connections across the sector in order to better support the ABI community.





December 2018

Participant Christmas Party

We enjoyed a Christmas party with people who had received services from BISA during the year. It was a great opportunity to connect as friends and reflect on the many things achieved over the previous twelve months.



April 2019

Visit from Dr Tim Feeney

We were very fortunate to host a presentation by renowned psychologist, academic and author Dr Tim Feeney at SAHMRI. It was a fascinating and thought-provoking session that was attended by people working in the field, tertiary students, people living with ABI, and family members. A detailed overview can be found on page 8 of this report.



June 2019

Services Commence at the Rewire Southern Hub

A terrific opportunity for BISA to establish a Rewire Southern Hub to assist people living in the South of Adelaide arrived thanks to Flinders University. Building on our collaboration with Flinders, and our incorporation of allied health students into our service delivery model, we have taken up the offer of facilities opposite the Noarlunga hospital. This is a great step forward for making our interdisciplinary therapy program Rewire and other services such as Advocacy more accessible.

Rewire

It has been a very successful 12 months for Rewire, our therapy program that helps people to embrace life after brain injury. The program has grown significantly, and now has over 100 participants and many new allied health professionals joining the team.

The Rewire team is comprised of speech pathologists, occupational therapists, psychologists, physiotherapists and allied health assistants, who work together to help people achieve their goals and live fulfilling lives. Collaboration is a strong theme within Rewire, and the emphasis placed on therapists working collaboratively with participants and their families has contributed strongly to the outcomes achieved.

Over the past year, Rewire has supported people with ABI to achieve a wide range of different goals and improve their quality of life. Many of these goals have related to:

- Overcoming barriers to independent living
- Getting involved with their community and doing the things they love
- Improving their communication skills
- Addressing physical issues such as pain, poor balance, and reduced mobility
- Working through mental health challenges
- Finding new meaningful directions in life

The establishment of the Rewire Southern and Northern Hubs will further increase the reach of the program and make accessing quality therapy far easier for many people and families. The future is bright for Rewire and we are very excited for the year ahead.



Rewire
participant:
**Bob
Masefield**

Bob Masefield is 54 years old and lives in Warradale. He is a father of two sons and a devoted husband to his wife Michelle. In April 2017 he underwent chemotherapy treatment for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

This was successful in defeating the cancer, however its toxicity resulted in a severe brain injury. He was left cortically blind, developed quadriplegia so was unable to stand, walk or use his arms or hands, and his cognitive functioning declined. He had become reliant on others for almost all his basic care needs. He could no longer work as a driving instructor or do many of the things he loved, such as going fishing, going out to dinner, travelling with the caravan on family holidays, or getting down to his local rugby club. In one confronting conversation, Michelle was told that Bob was not going to get any better and advised to put him in a nursing home. Bob himself was left with the fundamental question that many people with ABL face: what now? The future was uncertain and he feared he would never enjoy life again.

After initial rehabilitation at the Repatriation Hospital and private physiotherapy sessions, Bob elected to enter Brain Injury SA's Rewire program in early 2018 using funds from his NDIS plan. Rewire is a therapy program that aims to help people to embrace life after brain injury. The first steps were getting to know Bob and Michelle and finding out what Bob wanted to achieve and what was important to him. Bob was clear that his first priority was walking again. Assessments had revealed many barriers to this, including poor balance, reduced sensation in his feet, and significant muscle weakness in his legs. Bob knew it wouldn't be easy, and that it would require months of hard work. He was up for the challenge.

Bob took part in intensive physiotherapy with Jeanette O'Neil and personal training with Prue Liebig at Brain Injury SA's Central Hub in the city. Because of his vision impairment, he lacked confidence in his movements and was anxious about the potential for falls and further injury.



Sessions with psychologist Ashlee Raymond helped him to develop strategies for managing feelings of anxiety so that they didn't hinder his progress. After many months, Bob was back walking without assistance and even climbing small sets of steps! This was a huge milestone for Bob and opened up opportunities for an improved lifestyle. His focus turned to fishing – one of his great passions. He was determined to get back in his boat and out on the water. This meant more intensive physiotherapy and personal training to gain the strength and flexibility needed to be able to climb up and into the boat. As the photo on this page shows, he was successful.

*Today, Bob
enjoys a much higher
quality of life.*

Along with being able to fish again, he can go down to his rugby club and walk out to the team huddle at the end of the quarter and hear the coach address the players. Speech pathologist Chrissy Brodie helped Bob to utilise social media to stay in touch with family and friends, and also armed Bob with strategies for interpreting menus (challenging due to his vision impairment) so that he can once again go out for dinner. Overall, he is better connected socially and far more independent. Bob's progress is testament to his determination, the support of Michelle and his family, and the many hours of specialised therapy he received. Congratulations Bob!



Workshop with Dr Tim Feeney

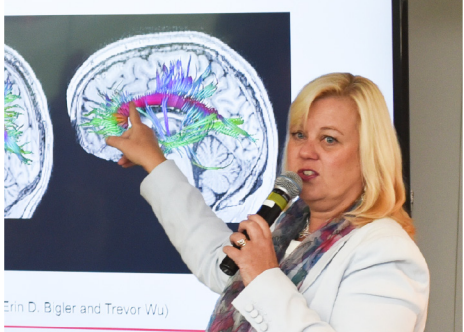
On April 12 Brain Injury SA had the privilege of hosting American psychologist, academic and author Dr Tim Feeney for a two-hour workshop titled 'Helping People With ABI Without Making Them Helpless'.

The workshop was held at the beautiful auditorium at SAHMRI and attracted over 160 people, with the audience comprising people working in the field, tertiary students, people living with ABI, and family members.

Dr Tim Feeney is a global thought leader in the field of acquired brain injury, and the workshop provided important insights and practical strategies around

supporting people with ABI to build independence and create meaningful lives. It was an informative and inspiring workshop that again underlined the value of coming together as a community to hear and share important ideas. We again thank Dr Feeney for his involvement and commend him for his tireless work aimed at improving the lives of people impacted by brain injury.





2018 Brain Injury Awareness Week

On the morning of Monday August 20, Brain Injury SA again hosted the South Australian launch of Brain Injury Awareness Week (BIAW), a national initiative aimed at building greater understanding of ABI among the general public.

Held in the John Halbert Room at the Adelaide Oval and delivered with the support of sponsors the Lifetime Support Authority and SACARE, the launch attracted some 200 people.

Professor Leanne Togher from the University of Sydney was guest speaker, and her presentation on new methods to address communication disorders following ABI was fascinating. This was followed by Rewire participant Mark Both, his golden retriever service dog Buddy, and speech pathologist Merrin Ising in a conversation facilitated by Ed Weaver. It was a powerful and uplifting discussion, with Mark shedding light on his challenging path since sustaining a severe

traumatic brain injury in a motor vehicle accident in July 2017, and the key supports that have helped him get to where he is today. Mark is well on the way to achieving his dream of breeding and training golden retrievers that he will then donate to others living with disability.

Next came the presentation of the Brain Injury SA Awards. Lee Witczak won the Individual Achievement Award for her outstanding work in the disability arts sector, while SACARE's Alex Killey took out the Service Excellence Award. Both were deserving winners selected from strong fields of nominees. We thank everyone for their involvement and look forward to continuing to grow this important event in the years ahead.

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Individual Achievement Award winner Lee Witczak (left) & Nahtanha Davey former CEO - Brain Injury SA (right).



Service Excellence Award winner Alex Killey (left) & Tamara Tomic CE - Lifetime Support Authority (right).



Our Programs



Reconnect Transition Program

The core purpose of the Reconnect Transition Program (RTP) is to help people make a healthy adjustment to living with a brain injury.

It has a particular focus on promoting mental health and wellbeing, building and maintaining positive interpersonal relationships, and assisting participants to reintegrate with the community.

Over the 2018/19 financial year, the following programs were delivered:

- Three Reconnect Transition Programs for adults
- One youth Reconnect Transition Program
- Eleven monthly Brain Injury Support and Education group sessions
- Three express Reconnect Transition Programs in regional locations

Each RTP program for adults consists of 10 weekly sessions of 2.5 hours in length. The sessions are held in a friendly group environment, supported by the facilitator as well as trained mentors who have lived experience of ABI. RTP allows participants to explore and share their experiences, gain further knowledge about the brain and ABI, work through their challenges and build strategies for improved resilience and wellbeing.

The youth Reconnect Transition Program (yRTP) follows the same format but is tailored

to suit young adults. yRTP explores social relationships, mental health and wellbeing, work and study pathways, and physical health topics as they relate to the already challenging and transitional time of young adulthood.

The Brain Injury Support and Education (BISE) Group is held on the first Wednesday of every month. A diverse range of topics relating to the brain and brain injury are covered over the year. Sessions start with a one-hour educational workshop, followed by an hour of peer support and socialising over a relaxed morning tea.

The Reconnect Transition Program is funded by our friends at the Lifetime Support Authority, and we thank them once again for their generous support.

Feedback from this year's RTP and yRTP participants:

"I feel RTP has boosted my confidence, helped me along my rehabilitation journey above what basic rehab provides."

"I felt it was easy to be open. Once I understood the brain, it made it easier to move on."

"I learnt something in each session. The highlight was meeting other people who have an ABI and not feeling so isolated."

"I feel understood and accepted."

Advocacy Services

The National Disability Advocacy Program (NDAP) provides people with disability access to effective disability advocacy that promotes, protects and ensures their full and equal enjoyment of all human rights enabling full community participation.

Throughout 2018–2019 we have supported 116 people in both Advocacy and the Decision Support Pilot Program.

Our clients seek support for many different matters, however the most common themes throughout this year were:

NDIS

Many people required support to gain access to the scheme and to source relevant and recent evidence to support their application. Many people have also required support during the pre-planning process and the planning meeting to ensure they are fully informed of their rights and what they can request within their first plan.

Centrelink

The biggest hurdle in our clients acquiring the correct payment through Centrelink is ensuring they understand the eligibility for each payment as well as correctly completing the required application forms. Many clients find it very distressing or are unable to complete lengthy documents and require support to streamline this process. Many people are also unsure as to what evidence is required, specifically for a Disability Support Pension. Within the Advocacy role we assist people to gather medical evidence to support these claims.

Systemic Advocacy

We have continued our work in systemic advocacy throughout 2018–2019. Brain Injury SA met with the State Disability Advocate, Dr David Caudrey to discuss systemic issues our clients were facing within the NDIS process. We also provided input to the City of Adelaide Disability Action Plan, to ensure the ABI community had their specific needs considered in this plan. We continued to advocate for the ABI community to be able to access adequate rehabilitation facilities in the South of Adelaide, specifically getting involved in the “Reactivate the Repat” campaign. Finally, Advocacy has continued their work with the Electoral Commission SA to ensure the ABI community are fully supported to be politically active.

Decision Support Pilot Program

Brain Injury SA were selected to provide the Decision Support Pilot Program in South Australia which commenced in October 2018. The NDIA identified a cohort of people with a disability who are being prevented from making access requests or proceeding through NDIS planning processes due to being unable to make informed decisions independently as well as not have any family, carers or friends to assist them through the process. The Pilot program is designed to support the decision-making process and assist people to make informed decisions about their own lives and future.

We have supported individuals to successfully make access requests by sourcing the required evidence and then working closely with them to understand what supports they are looking for to achieve their goals. Once the planning process is complete, we have connected participants to Support Coordinators or Local Area Coordinators to ensure that their plan is utilised in a way that gives the participant the optimal choice and control over their lives. It is very rewarding to see people receive a plan that they are happy with and to see their goals being implemented.

We would like to thank the Department of Social Services for their ongoing support and funding to enable us to provide this important service.





NDIS Appeals Program

As the NDIS continues to grow and adapt, there are more people than ever who are looking to access our NDIS Appeals service.

Our service is available to anyone affected by a decision made by the NDIS – not just those living with an ABI. We service people in South Australia and the Barkly region of the Northern Territory.

Our NDIS Appeals team is always trying to help people get better plans and obtain positive outcomes, as well to help ensure the NDIS is responsive to the needs of people living with disability.

During 2018–2019, our NDIS Appeals team assisted a total of 123 individuals to appeal reviewable decisions made by the National Disability Insurance Agency. We supported 72 people through the Administrative Appeals Tribunal process – a significant increase from 2017–18. Many are existing clients who have been supported through the Internal Review process, but we have seen increasing numbers being referred by Legal Services Commission and through the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

Positive outcomes from cases that went through the Tribunal include clients who now have more funding for therapies and core supports. We have also had positive outcomes for those denied access to the scheme or their participant status revoked. A trend we have seen this year is an increase in the number of people with

psycho-social disabilities being provided with access to the scheme when they reach the Tribunal.

In addition to those clients we supported through the Tribunal, we also assisted 71 clients through the Internal Review process. Some of these progress to the Tribunal if they remain unhappy with the outcome but other matters are resolved successfully at this point.

Our team is seeing a growing number of adults seeking support through the NDIS Appeals service, but the vast majority of clients are children supported by their families or guardians. It is wonderful to see so many positive outcomes for our clients who are navigating what can be a very complex process. A priority of our appeals team is to continue to advocate for reduced waiting times for these reviews, as the NDIS is still taking a significant amount of time to process these applications. For example, our appeals officer helped advocate in a case at the AAT seeking to enforce reasonable standards on the amount of time the NDIA can take to decide a matter. A positive decision in this case could help set standards for the Agency to follow going forward.

We would like to thank the Department of Social Services for their funding of this critical program in assisting our participants engage with the NDIS.

Case Management Service

Case Management is a new service being provided by Brain Injury SA.

It was developed in response to an increasing demand to offer individuals with acquired brain injury a professional, comprehensive, individualized and responsive service spanning across all life domains.

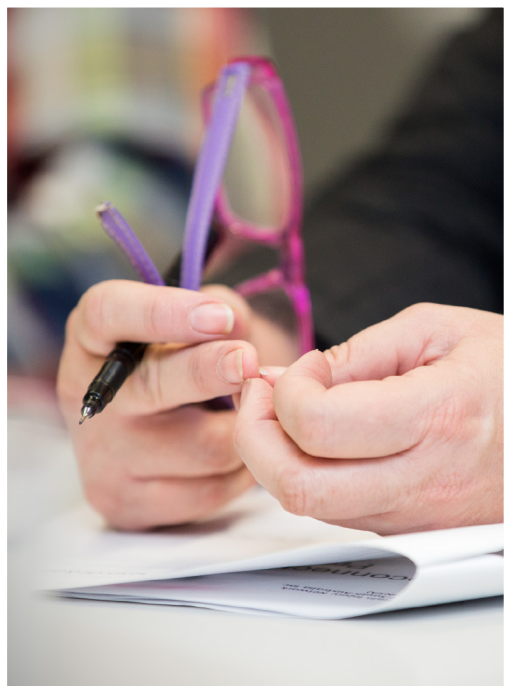
Over the past six months the number of individuals accessing our Case Management service has tripled. The success of the program can be attributed to strong partnerships between organisations, service providers, clients and their families.

Examples of ways in which case management can support individuals include;

- Goal setting
- Referrals and recommendations to other relevant services
- Coordination of referrals and implementation of services

- Support to attend medical and/or specialist appointments
- Housing, sourcing and maintaining tenancies
- Facilitating community integration
- Employment support, help to link to employment providers
- Centrelink support
- Financial assistance, including negotiations with debt management, bill payments, and budgeting

Case management is provided by qualified staff. It is available to anyone living in South Australia who has an ABI. It is a fee for service program that gives participants a voice and choice over the services that they receive.





SoConnect had a very successful 2018/2019 year, supporting people with disabilities to connect with a wide variety of mainstream services such as employment services, educational options, social and recreational pursuits, legal and financial services.

We have exceeded our annual target with 50 people completing 5 ten-week programs. We have provided programs based in central Adelaide, Elizabeth, and Glandore. Further programs are planned for Salisbury and Noarlunga in the coming year. SoConnect also provided 2 regional programs in Port Pirie and Kadina with positive feedback. Participants reported that they rarely have the opportunity to participate in programs such as this, due to the distance from metropolitan Adelaide.

They appreciated the opportunity to learn more about local service providers that they are able to connect with.

We are grateful for the ongoing support of mainstream service providers who present regularly at our sessions. We would also like to acknowledge the support of the National Disability Insurance Agency who provided the funding for this project under an Information, Linkages and Capacity Building Grant.

Brain Injury SA Board



Vladimir Malcik
Chair

Vladimir is an experienced director, chief financial officer and company secretary with a diverse background in finance, accounting and company secretarial practice in the public, private and the not-for-profit sectors. He is a business leader with strong skills in corporate planning, strategy formulation and implementation, mergers, acquisitions, privatisations, company performance improvements and restructuring.



Nadia Moffatt

Nadia is a highly experienced non-executive director, chair and committee member with more than 15 years experience in business, the public and not-for-profit sectors across a range of industries. Nadia has formal qualifications as a company director. Nadia's scholarships include the Leaders for Tomorrow program and the Copland, Centre for Economic Development of Australia (CEDA) leadership program. Nadia is a board member of the Australian Communications Consumer Action Network (ACCAN).



Michael Auciello

Michael is a leader in service delivery solutions and a pioneer of advanced technology in the pharmacy industry. He has 20 years experience running large pharmacy businesses serving retail and institutional clients. Michael is a board member of North Eastern Community Hospital and Nursing Home.



Brendan Williams

Brendan Williams is a highly experienced Chief Information Officer who has held senior executive roles in the Defence and Energy industries, as well as Government. He has more than 20 years experience driving improvement in business performance through the innovative use of information and IT. He has strong skills in technology leadership, business and IT strategy, information/IT, governance and project management.



Shane Cheek

Shane Cheek is a Founder and Managing Director of Acumen Ventures and has significant experience within investment and funds management, research commercialisation and strategic consulting. He holds postgraduate qualifications in Business and Technology and is an Adjunct Industry Fellow of the University of South Australia.



Welcome to **Katherine Hawker**

Qualified as a Lawyer, Katherine completed her first Bachelor degree in Science majoring in microbiology and immunology. Her legal career has included engagement with law firms across Adelaide, Sydney, Perth and New York and a long-term secondment to Santos. Katherine is currently employed as General Counsel and Company Secretary at Naval Group Australia, and joins the Board with extensive experience in large projects, corporate transactions and corporate governance. Her interest in the work of Brain Injury SA was fostered by people she met in undertaking the Governor's Leadership Program during 2018. We have been very pleased to have Katherine bring her legal expertise and community interest to the Board.

Financial Report

For the Financial
Year Ended
30 June 2019

Statement of Comprehensive Income For Year Ended 30 June 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
INCOME			
Administration Income			
Donations		1,502	15,443
Interest Income		5,480	5,557
Other Income		14,081	1,248
Sponsorship		11,500	10,000
Fees Income		626,144	224,353
NDIS Income		347,869	-
		1,006,576	256,601
Grant Income			
Grant - NDAP DSS		179,404	176,202
Grant - EMR DSS		455,290	388,560
Grant - DCSI		163,785	365,581
Grant - DCSI Other Grant		-	10,000
Grant - DOH over 65s		21,672	14,415
Grant - SSAYIT DEPT EMPLOYMENT		-	596,014
Grant - ILC SoConnect		208,041	-
Grant - RTP LSA		167,412	110,000
Grant - NDIS Community Awareness		-	37,716
Grant - Other		70,690	-
		1,266,294	1,698,488
Total Income		2,272,870	1,955,089
EXPENDITURE			
Administration Levy		1,446	-
Audit Fees including QA	2	4,000	9,309
Annual General Meeting		2,418	2,866
Advertising & Promotion		12,063	13,914
Bank Charges & Fees		1,034	369
BIAW Expenses		15,300	16,112
Catering		10,023	22,165
Computer Expenses		37,841	40,274
Consultancy Fees		44,410	111,940
Depreciation		30,946	31,659
Establishment costs		19,820	-
Evaluation		-	12,050
IDWPD		461	1,209
Insurance		19,329	12,288
IT Expenses		402	-

Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
EXPENDITURE (continued)			
Loss on disposal of asset		331	-
Motor Vehicle Costs		11,792	5,108
Motor Vehicle Lease – SSAYIT		18,000	18,000
Office Light & Power		13,640	14,771
Office Amenities		14,392	20,408
Office Rent		84,189	56,087
Police Checks		108	1,817
Postage & Freight		1,729	929
Printing, Enews Social Media & Stationery		18,732	27,282
Repairs & Maintenance		6,674	1,858
Resources & Equipment		7,840	8,168
Return of Unexpended Grants		23,207	
Seminars		1,645	9,126
Social Media / Web content		17,393	29,936
Staff Recruitment		8,908	1,350
Staff Training & Development		7,155	15,640
Subscriptions & Memberships		6,145	5,143
Sundries		2,685	5,538
Telephone & Communications		11,103	14,557
Travel & Accommodation		22,712	21,457
Venue Hire		3,644	-
Volunteers		2,200	3,179
Salaries		1,557,156	1,137,494
Superannuation		140,309	101,452
Workcover		23,285	20,785
Annual Leave		10,591	14,916
Total Expenditure		2,215,058	1,809,156
Operating Surplus		57,812	145,933
Retained Surplus – Beginning of the Year		508,809	362,876
Retained Surplus – End of the Financial Year		566,621	508,809

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	3	581,188	297,646
Investments		128,472	125,718
Debtors & Other Receivables		98,733	82,655
Prepayments		17,468	12,114
Total Current Assets		825,861	518,133
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant & Equipment	4	102,723	69,568
Leasehold Improvements		38,102	10,048
Motor Vehicles		25,675	33,129
Furniture & Fittings		7,637	9,546
Total Non Current Assets		174,137	122,291
Total Assets		999,998	640,424
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Grants in Advance	5	161,693	-
Trade Creditors		157,516	29,937
Other Creditors & Accruals		51,158	49,259
Provision for Employee Entitlements		63,010	52,419
Total Current Liabilities		433,377	131,615
Net Assets		566,621	508,809
Accumulated Funds		566,621	508,809

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Changes in Equity

As at 30 June 2019

	Retained surpluses \$	Total equity \$
Balance at 1 July 2017	362,876	362,876
Surplus for the year	145,933	145,933
Balance at 30 June 2018	508,809	508,809
Balance at 1 July 2018	508,809	508,809
Surplus for the year	57,812	57,812
Balance at 30 June 2019	566,621	566,621

Statement of Cash Flow

For Year Ended 30 June 2019

	Note	2019 \$	2018 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from funding bodies and others		2,418,485	1,544,491
Payments to suppliers and employees		(2,049,397)	(1,781,353)
Net operating cash flows	6	369,088	(236,862)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments for plant and equipment etc		(83,123)	(28,172)
Loss from sale of plant and equipment		331	-
Net investing cash flows		(82,792)	(28,172)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		286,296	(265,034)
Cash at the beginning of the year		423,364	688,398
Cash at the end of the year		709,660	423,364

Notes to the Financial Statement

For the Financial Year Ended 30 June 2019

1 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Officers of the Association have prepared the financial report on the basis that the Association is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial reports. This financial report is therefore a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act (SA), requirements of the Board of Management, the Members of the Association, the Associations Incorporations Act, Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012, Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013 and Government and other Funding agencies and the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 101	<i>Presentation of Financial Statements</i>
AASB 107	<i>Statement of Cash Flows</i>
AASB 108	<i>Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors</i>
AASB1048	<i>Events after the Statement of Financial Position Date Interpretation and Application of Standards</i>
AASB 1054	<i>Australian Additional disclosures</i>

These financial statements do not conform to International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ('IASB').

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Australian Accounting Interpretations or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historical costs convention and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. No adjustments have been made to take into account changing money values or current valuations of non-current assets, or their impact on operating results.

The following material accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of these financial report.

a) Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax pursuant to the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. Accordingly, Australian Accounting Standard AASB 112 has not been applied and no provision for income tax has been included in the Accounts.

b) Grants

Government and other grants have been brought to account as income to reflect the extent to which the grants have been spent. Amounts which have been received but which have not been spent are recorded as grants received in advance.

c) Property, plant and equipment

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Property, plant and equipment over \$1,000 are recorded as fixed assets at cost.

d) Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated on a straight line balance basis over the useful lives of the assets to the organisation commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Motor Vehicles	22.50%
Plant & Equipment	20% – 40%
Furniture & Fixtures	20%

e) Impairment

The carrying amount of fixed assets is reviewed annually to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount of those assets.

f) Employee Entitlements

Provision is made for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date and are measured at their nominal value. Provision for long service leave is brought to account when an employee reaches five years continuous service.

g) Goods and Services Tax (GST) and other similar taxes

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the tax authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

h) Economic Dependence

The Association is dependent on the State and Commonwealth Grants for the majority of its revenue used to operate the Association. At the date of this report the Board has no reason to believe that the Department will not continue to support the Association.

	2019 \$	2018 \$
2 AUDIT FEES		
Audit Fees	5,765	2,000
Audit Fees – QA	3,192	7,309
	8,957	9,309

	2019 \$	2018 \$
3 CASH & CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash at Bank	559	5,626
Access Saver Account	580,375	291,520
Investment Account	127,821	125,718
Petty Cash	255	500
	709,010	423,364
4 PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
Plant & Equipment at Cost	230,913	186,006
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(128,190)	(116,438)
	102,723	69,568
Leasehold Improvement at Cost	52,851	22,322
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(14,749)	(12,274)
	38,102	10,048
Motor Vehicles at Cost	62,643	62,643
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(36,968)	(29,514)
	25,675	33,129
Furniture & Fittings at Cost	30,364	30,364
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(22,727)	(20,818)
	7,637	9,546
	174,137	122,291
5 GRANTS IN ADVANCE		
SSAYIT – Department for Employment	161,693	–
6 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
Cash at the End of the Year		
Cash at Bank	559	5,626
Access Saver Account	580,375	291,520
Investment Account	127,821	125,718
Petty Cash	255	500
	709,010	423,364
Net cash provided by operating activities reconciled to surplus from ordinary activities as follows:		
Surplus (Deficit) from ordinary activities	57,811	145,933
Depreciation of Plant & Equipment	30,946	31,659
(Increase) Decrease in Trade Debtors	(16,078)	(49,185)
(Increase) Decrease in Other Debtors and Prepayments	(5,354)	(4,155)
Increase (Decrease) in Grants in Advance and Bequests	161,693	(373,287)
Increase (Decrease) in Trade Creditors	127,579	(14,987)
Increase (Decrease) in Other Creditors and Accruals	1,900	12,243
Increase (Decrease) in Provision for Annual and Long Service Leave	10,591	14,917
Net cash inflow from operating activities	369,088	(236,862)

Report of the Board

The Board reports that:

- (a) During the year ended 30 June 2019, no officer of the Association, firm of which the officer is a member, or body corporate in which the officer has a substantial financial interest, has received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or body corporate and the Association; and
- (b) During the year ended 30 June 2019, no officer of the Association has received directly or indirectly from the Association any payment or other benefit of a pecuniary value, except for the reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the Association.

Statement by Officers of the Association

The Officers of the Association have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Officers of the Association:


- (a) The accompanying financial report has been drawn up so as to present fairly the results of operations of the Brain Injury Network SA Incorporated for the year ended 30 June 2019 and the state of affairs as at that date;
- (b) As at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Brain Injury Network SA Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board for and on its behalf by:

Vladimir MALCİK
Name


Chairperson

SHANE CHEEK
Name


Board Member

Dated 25 September 2019

Opinion

We have audited the financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of the Brain Injury Network of South Australia Inc. ('the Association'), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019, the statement of comprehensive income, statement in changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the declaration by the board members.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Brain Injury Network of South Australia Inc. is in accordance with *Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, including:

- (a) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2019 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended; and
- (b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 1, and *Division 60 of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Regulation 2013*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* (ACNC Act) and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Association's financial reporting responsibilities under the ACNC Act. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibility of the Responsible Entities for the Financial Report

The board members are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the financial report is appropriate to meet the requirements of the ACNC Act and the needs of the members. The Association's responsibility also includes such internal control as the board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the board members are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the responsible entities either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report (cont.)

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the registered entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Association.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Association's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

PKF Adelaide



Steven A Russo CA, RCA

Partner

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Dated this 25th day of September 2019



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