

State Trauma Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 12, 2024, via WebEx

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Call to Order-Dr. Richard Fantus at 11:00 a.m.

Trauma Roll Call Vote: Council Members Present:

Richard Fantus, M.D., George Hevesy, M.D., Lori Ritter, Stacy VanVleet, Eric Brandmeyer, Jarrod Wall, M.D., Gene Brandon, Mary Beth Voight, James Doherty, M.D., Manoj Shah, M.D.

Quorum is established.

Approval of Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2024 -Approved.

Illinois Department of Public Health Report: Robert Van Bebber, MSN, RN:

- Detailed report attached.
- Introduction to Kelly Vrablic. Kelly is our new EMS data manager, replacing Dan Lee.
- Introduction to new appointed members of the EMS Advisory Council, Dr. Rebecca Tracy as the EMS Medical Director, and Amy Crane to region 9
- DPH.rules@illinois.gov if you have any questions on rules please email.

TAC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REGISTRY SUBCOMMITTEE: Joseph Albanese, RN:

TRAUMA PROGRAM:

- See attached report.
- Julie asked about the trauma program and all the in-house triage and filled triage and updating rules if those were still going through to pass. Or will it be stalled? Joe replied there's no prediction on how fast things will move through JACAR. There may be a possibility we have gotten rules that were completed and done but could possibly be held up. If something occurs that slows down the process, we need to keep moving forward and recognize the hard work that was done by the committee.

CQI/REGISTRY REPORT: MARY BETH VOIGHTS:

- See attached report.

TRAUMA NURSE SPECIALIST: STACY VAN VLEET

- See attached report.

- Last meeting was August 2nd. We hosted a retirement luncheon for Connie.
- As Joe mentioned, changes with GL and most of us have received those updates and we continue to process TNS licensures and renewals. Are also working with IDPH on our testing and TNS exam and different options on how that will look. As well as investigating other certifications that are out there because there are always new ones. We are reviewing and looking at our content validity and objective's reliability and with this comes our content. Looking at that and truly narrowing it down we recognize that we have a narrow cognitive load and trying to streamline that so we can be more specific for the nurse just information that really isn't quite relevant for what we are trying to be teaching. For the TNS nurse, we continue to model updates and as you know, we went from being on a timeline to rolling updates, especially as standards are posted and published. We nominated a new TNS chair. With Sally leaving. We have nominated Gene.
- Our next meeting will be October 11th.

EMS Advisory Council: Rebecca Tracy, MD:

- With Dr. Tracy being new on the Council Connie volunteered to give a short update. The last council meeting was somewhat abbreviated. We will have much more to be discussed today and she can provide a written statement later. We can refer to the minutes from the last meeting also.
- Dr. Tracy did mention the biggest thing is currently the multiple revisions that are out for review for EMS rule changes.

Legislative and Rules Subcommittee: James Doherty, M.D.

- The Legislative and Rules Committee has started the process of developing rules for Level 3 trauma centers and comprehensive emergency department injury treatment centers, which would be essentially a comprehensive emergency department. We will more than likely need assistance from the regions, and we'll be reaching out for that.
- We will discuss what Level 3 impact has on Level 2 rules and regulations that will be dealt with.
- I recommend the assistance of the Trauma Advisory Council have a stakeholder meeting as we've had in the past, so everyone can have input at their state level. So, the process can occur in a more expedited fashion.
- One issue is the Legislative and Rules Committee should have at least two individual's representative of each region and the attendance has not been great. Not all regions have fully participated. Moving forward, I would like to ask each region to look at who is your representative to the Legislative and Rules and see if they are still available and do they want to participate every month. If they can send me that information or to Stacey, we will make sure the invite goes out to the relevant people.

- Julie mentioned in her region, they sent out a survey to region 2 to see if they could gain nominations or people who would like to volunteer.

Illinois Burn Advisory Subcommittee: Richard Gonzalez, M.D.

- Report given by Kelly from Loyola Medical Center.
- We are still in the revision process for the annex through the state and working on turning the annex into an actual plan. The state has items they are looking at and I am waiting on some of the medical personnel from Loyola to get revisions back to me in the next couple weeks so we can get a larger subcommittee together.

TAC OLD BUSINESS:

- N/A

TAC NEW BUSINESS:

- N/A

FUTURE MEETINGS: 2024

TRAUMA DECEMBER 12, 2024

Adjourned: Moving on to EMS Council 11:38 am

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