

State Trauma Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 14th, 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., Glenn Aldinger, M.D., (Proxy Dr Fantus), George Hevesy, M.D., Stacy VanVleet RN, Lori Ritter RN, Eric Brandmeyer RN, BSN, Mary Beth Voight's MS, APN (proxy Lori Ritter), George Hevesy M.D., James Doherty, M.D., Jarrod Wall, M.D.,

Quorum is established.

Approval of Meeting Minutes of December 4th, 2024 -Approved.

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

- Detailed report attached.
- We have received and will be reviewing comments on the proposed administrative rule changes. We will be making some revisions and we will file this second notice next. There were many bills that were signed into law over this summer. Once the current rules are adopted, we will be drafting new rules to reflect these legislative changes.
- We hosted a call with the EMS Medical Directors in January, and we will continue to host these calls on a quarterly basis. We are currently hiring for Data Manager position. In the meantime, any requests should be sent to myself or Jesse Nuss, as he is our epidemiologist and will be handling those in the meantime.
- A few straggler system plan amendments and letters of participation system plans will be an ongoing task since rules and legislation keep being revised. Letters of participation, as a reminder, are to be completed every four years. In Region four, we are working on system plan amendments. There have been inquiries regarding system renewal for EMS Region 4, and our REMSC Greg is currently on leave, so any communications are going to region 3 for right now.

TAC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REGISTRY SUBCOMMITTEE: Joseph Albanese, RN:

TRAUMA PROGRAM:

- 24 NTDS standards have been implemented. In the Gen. 6 Trauma Registry, the Desktop 5 users will still need to work with their vendor on the implementation of the new standard.
- See attached report.

CQI/REGISTRY REPORT: MARY BETH VOIGHTS:

- Report given by Lori Ritter
- See attached report.

TRAUMA NURSE SPECIALIST: STACY VAN VLEET

- Update on the TNS course coordinators. The McHenry site visit went well. However, we do have other hospitals that have posted interest in becoming sites and some of them are pursuing that process. Also is a reminder if you need to know where to find any educational offerings, your renewal process or TNS site dates or court dates, please visit Illinoistraumanurse.org. Also note that we have added podcasts to the renewal form for trauma. There is a form on the Illinois trauma nurse website to fill out when you submit to get credit for the different podcasts that are trauma related curriculum. We continue to review and revise the curriculum in real time, and we continue to do test question validation content related to the objectives for the validation of the exam.

EMS Advisory Council: Glenn Aldinger, MD:

- No Report
- Doctor Fantus was in attendance- the department gave their report. Trauma gave the report. Data did not report. Emergency Preparedness no report, Education Committee had report putting together an education playbook with ongoing competency model.

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

- Report was given by Stacy.
- A few things were sent out ahead of time to committee members.
- The rules section, there were three different sections we were requesting a vote on. The first one is related to the isolated injuries. The second one is updating the rules to trauma rules to reflect what is in the current bypass rules so that we are in line with that. And the third section. 51520. 50 which is the trauma center uniform reporting requirement. In the Trauma Registry, the additions were outlined. That is the largest section that the additions were outlined in yellow, and you can see the removals were done in the cross out.
- First section is isolated injuries. This was originally approved. What was approved for the in-house trauma activation Isolated injury status is concerned by evaluation and imaging. This is to be consistent with what was approved, I believe, in September.
- In the next section, updating of the trauma rules to reflect the bypass rule. This brings us in line with the current bypass rules stated in Section 515.315. We removed by telephone.
- Third section. Regarding data collection. And what's reported to the department using the required software? Scheduling process remains the same and we did add a section. And you should request data for Research.
- Doctor Fantus would like someone to post a motion for the 1st and then we can leave the larger one open for discussion., Motion. Pass. unanimously
- 2nd portion is now open for discussion. Is anyone against removing floppy disks? We would vote on that too. Stacey mentioned it references back to ID PH using the NTDB data field plus burn. Doctor Doherty pointed out Letter B states the department must report electronically their required information as specified by the Division of EMS. Department shall provide Illinois Trauma Centers data collection software for submission of required information. We just reference back to the software; we do not need to itemize it. Any comments? Is there a motion to approve these changes to the data and recording requirements? Committee votes unanimously. motion to pass.

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

- Report given by Kelly -outreach coordinator.
- Burn Annex is under revision. We are going through line by line. We have now portion of the sections that are going to be given out to the appropriate people whether it's a state or different medical people to look at those and make the appropriate revisions and we will come back to the committee for approval.
- Making sure we are offering the disaster class to the northern and southern part of the state, so those hospitals that might get patients will have the knowledge on how to take care of them.
- Hoping to get more trauma coordinators and Bedside nurses to come and learn to take care of patients in the first moment of their injuries on a BLS course.

TAC OLD BUSINESS:

- Art Sanford commented. Kelly and him both got invited to review the data caches for the city of Chicago to make sure that there's an emergency supply. Possible preparation for the DNC.

TAC NEW BUSINESS:

- ACS Verification for Trauma Centers – Joe if we had any update on what is happening with the hearing regarding multiple tier trauma systems that was put forth. Joe added he'd like to defer this to Bobby. He might have been in attendance and might know what was said. Bobby stated the bill was agreed upon and the Senate Committee moved on that. There is a bill designated also at the House. I don't have the bill number in front of me. But it is not read in the House Committee yet, it was introduced in the Senate side. One would go through for sure in hopes. Currently, the only one that has moved is the Senate bill regarding trauma. Joe added it was mentioned at the Joint Council meeting a while back and could not be discussed at the council meeting. Doctor Doherty stated as stakeholders we should have input into this, and he has a strong support for it. Doctor Fantus suggested having a meeting offline. If we cannot discuss in the Council meeting. Joe stated it is an important step in the Illinois Trauma System; for multiple reasons we've lost trauma centers because they've had nowhere to go without an expansion of a trauma system level to meet requirements.

FUTURE MEETINGS: 2024

VIA WEBEX-

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Motion to adjourn by Dr. Fantus with multiple seconds.

Adjourned: 12:12pm