

State Trauma Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 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, Michael Pearlman, Eric Brandmeyer, Jarrod Wall, M.D., Gene Brandon, Mary Beth Voights, Richard Gonzalez M.D., Stacy Van Vleet

Quorum is established.

Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2024 -Approved.

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

- Detailed report attached.
- The division administrative rules were adapted on November 1st and a memo was sent out identifying specific system plan amendments. EMT training, recruitment, and retention task force has been meeting and will submit a final report. Site surveys went well, working to improve CQI and the surrounding non transport patient care reports.
- Region 5 has been working on a few complaints.
- Region 7 has been discussing expired medications and the Drug Supply Chain Security Act.
- EMS for children 2025 dates announced.
- The South Michigan IDPH office will be moving to a new location.

TAC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REGISTRY SUBCOMMITTEE: Joseph Albanese, RN:

TRAUMA PROGRAM:

- See attached report.
- **CQI/REGISTRY REPORT: MARY BETH VOIGHT'S:**
- See attached report.

TRAUMA NURSE SPECIALIST: STACY VAN VLEET

- See attached report.

- Last meeting was October 11th. We have our next meeting tomorrow and we do meet by zoom.

EMS Advisory Council: Rebecca Tracy, MD:

- Our next meeting will be February 13th.
- Our biggest update has been the trauma standpoint is our EMS administrative rules update that went into effect on November 1st with final effect deadline August 1st, 2025.
- There were some languages added for the trauma center designations, especially the trauma centers that are required to obtain and maintain recognition as emergency departments approved for pediatrics or pediatric critical care centers, so EDAP or PCCC going forward, that is the biggest program change from a trauma standpoint.
- Rule revisions went out on the 19th to all EMS coordinators for individual regions.

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

- One single meeting for November/December because of the holidays
- We have completed our structured template for the level 4, essentially the injury treatment set. We are working on a survey that will be sent out to hospitals throughout the state to determine what resources they have. Specifically, this would be for non-trauma centers to determine what kind of resources they have so we can see if things we put in for the injury treatment center designations are reasonable, or are we asking for things that simply don't exist? Or possibly for things that are widely available and whether we need to look for a greater level of commitment, or broader resources for the injury treatments.
- The survey will be distributed statewide with the hopes we can get feedback. Once we have a basic structure of the level 4, then we would start to define level 3 based on our existing level 2 criteria and what we established for level 4. We are moving forward through this process and getting as much regional participation as we can.
- We had issues with people who were representing the regions who had not been to the meetings for quite some time. Some of them asked that every region have two members who are actively involved in the committee attend so that we would have adequate representation across the entire statewide trauma system.
- We are hoping that quarter one of 2025 will have at least one stakeholder meeting where we can bring a lot of these ideas and get a little broader input. The expectation is the regional representatives will also be updating the regions as we move along in the process.

- The question was asked if we have an implementation proposed date for the other levels, and at this time we do not but we would hope to be thinking about quarter 2 of 2025 to get everything up.

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

- Report given by Josh Carson, Burn Director.
- SBCC continues to move forward. We have recreated a network across the street. It's a foundry network. We have 4 hospitals that are actively involved. Now with the network reestablished next is to revise, update and simplify, which was the accomplishment of the last meeting.
- Doing small drills in the hospitals.

TAC OLD BUSINESS:

- N/A

TAC NEW BUSINESS:

- Doctor Hevesy wanted to speak a few words about Evelyn as she gets ready for her retirement. Thanked her for all the changes she made for EMSC and programs she headed up and how great it was to work with her, she will be a great loss to the community.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

March 13, 2025

Adjourned: 11:54 am