

State Trauma Advisory Subcommittee
February 3, 2015
Michigan College of Emergency Physicians (MCEP) - DRAFT
Lansing, MI

Attendees: Jeff Boyd, Diane Fisher, Pat Patton, Robert Domeier, Thomas Charleton, John Fath, Wayne Vanderkolk, Amy Koestner, Deanne Krajkowski

Guests: Deb Detoro-Fisher, Tammy First, Theresa Jenkins, Bob Loiselle, Cheryl Moore, Wayne Snyder, Eileen Worden

Call Order: 9:05 a.m.

Minutes from December 2, 2014 meeting: Approved

Old Business:

- ❖ The Region 2 North Coordinator and Trauma Epidemiologist positions have been posted.
- ❖ The Trauma Destination Guideline (EMS system protocol) is in development. System protocols describe the baseline protocol standards that Medical Control Authorities need to adopt. Medical Control Authorities may adopt the system protocol as is or include additions to the protocol reflecting regional needs. Some regions have been working on their own destination protocol and now these protocols are intersecting. EMS and trauma have been working with partners on this overlapping initiative and while there have been some challenges related to timelines and clear expectations the final product is expected to assist in developing clear evidenced based destination decisions for each region. The system protocol has a few more tweaks before it will be finalized and sent to the EMS Quality Assurance Taskforce for comments and approval.
- ❖ The training for in-state site reviewers (Level III and Level IV facilities) is being developed. There will be three training sessions:
 - August 13th
 - September 17th
 - November 12th

Both the STAC and Designation Committee members are invited to attend one of the training sessions. These members will attend one of the first two sessions along with the Regional Trauma Coordinators and 14 site reviewer trainees. The November orientation will include the remaining 32 in-state reviewers. Tammy will email STAC with the August and September dates to see who is interested in attending. A Trauma Medical Director and Trauma Program Manager will be identified to facilitate each training session.

The Trauma Section plans to hold annual training/debriefing for the in-state reviewers after this initial training. More reviewers may be added to the pool if additional Michigan trauma facilities become American College of Surgeon verified Level I or Level II.

- ❖ The Designation Kick-Off event held in December recognized 20 facilities and was attended by roughly 60 people. Michigan Department of Community Health Director, Nick Lyon, presented the certificates at the ceremony. There is a plan to hold another Designation Kick-Off event for the first round of in-state verified facilities. The event will likely take place mid-2016.
- ❖ Registration is open for a Trauma Program Training on April 14th for Level III and Level IV facilities. The program will walk through setting up a trauma program.

Designation:

- ❖ The Designation Committee met on January 6, 2015. Currently, 31 ACS verified facilities have been designated by MDCH. Three ACS verified facilities are left to be designated these facilities are working on their applications. A discussion took place regarding the potential difference in the ACS post-visit impression versus the actual documentation and recommendations in the verification letter. This reinforces the requirement by the Department that the ACS verification letter accompany the designation application.
- ❖ Trauma will be completing an audit of the designation applications once all the ACS verified applications are submitted to determine if the document performed as expected or needs improvement.

- ❖ Based on discussion at the last STAC meeting, the committee was provided a letter from ACS verifying that a facility remains verified by ACS in the time between the end of verification and the receipt of the re-verification letter.

New Project:

- ❖ The Trauma Band project is currently under development. The project mirrors a successful Arkansas project where a trauma band with a unique identifier was added in the field and followed the patient through definitive care. A proposal for a pilot project in Region 3 and Region 7 (focusing on rural areas) is being finalized.

Update:

- ❖ The Region 5 and Region 6 Trauma Coordinator positions will be posted this week. The interview panel will include a representative from the region. Trauma has also been approved to fill a section secretary position.
- ❖ The Trauma Section will be focusing on one of the pillars of the trauma system this year, verification and subsequent designation of Level III and Level IV facilities
- ❖ The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) and Michigan Department of Human Services (MDHS) are merging to form the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS). Once combined, the department will have 14,000 workers and encompass over 15% of the budget. Because of the nature of their work this merger will have less than a direct impact on EMS and Trauma.
- ❖ In the next 18 months, there will be movement of state employees to different buildings. Trauma staff may relocate to another property in the downtown Lansing area.
- ❖ The Administrative Rules charged the trauma system with the generation of regional reports. The regional reports will look similar to the resource reports. The Section plans to have them completed by March.
- ❖ The Medical Control Authority Regionalization initiative was first announced in October. A workgroup has been formed with a group of content experts to provide input on the project. Discussion is ongoing.
- ❖ There were a few questions on the concept of provisional status and how Medical Control Authorities in the regions can address this interim period where some facilities have been designated, some are planning on verification and other programs are in the building stages. Region 2 South has a process in place that allows the facilities the opportunity to document their resources and communicate that to the Medical Control Authorities. Dr. Domeier is willing to share the HEMS protocol on provisional status to anyone that is interested.
- ❖ Dr. Patton brought up a question his region had regarding the quarterly submission dates to the state registry. They requested the submission dates be revised to the same submission dates of TQIP. This is something the state will consider in the future, but at this time, the quarterly submission dates will stay the same.
- ❖ Dr. Patton also requested STAC receive regional updates at each meeting.

The next STAC meeting is **Tuesday, April 7, 2015** at Michigan College of Emergency Physicians

Meeting Adjourned: 10:25 a.m.