

State Trauma Advisory Subcommittee
April 7, 2020,
Bureau of EMS, Trauma & Preparedness
Lansing, MI

Attendees: Robert Domeier, Gaby Iskander, Howard Klausner, Allan Lamb, Joshua Mastenbrook, Amy Randall, Dawn Rudgers, and Wayne Vanderkolk,

Guests: Helen Berghoef, Doug Burke, Tammy First, Deb Detro-Fisher, Jill Jean, Theresa Jenkins, Denise Kapnick, Bob Loiselle, Cheryl Moore, Lyn Nelson, Jennifer Strayer, Eileen Worden

Call Order: 9:01 a.m.

Minutes from February 4, 2020 approved.

Agenda amendment approved- Comments on Quarterly Reports added to agenda

Old Business:

- ❖ **Vacant STAC positions:** Jill Jean has resigned as a STAC member, she has taken the position as the State Trauma Registry Administrator, welcome Jill. The application for Jills position on STAC is posted on the website. One application has been submitted. Applications have been submitted for the position of a Life Support Agency Manager that is also a member of EMSCC. Due to the COVID-19 responses processes have been and are continuing to be adjusted. Under consideration is requesting that the Chair of the EMSCC make the appointments to facilitate getting the positions filled in the interim.
- ❖ **Regional Leadership Summit:** The Regional Leadership Summit will not take place this year. Finding a date that the various stakeholders can all attend was difficult. Current discussions are to consider including the summit in the planning for the next trauma conference. The last trauma conference was held in 2019.
- ❖ **EMS Administrative Rules:** The EMS Section and stakeholders have been working on revisions to the various sections of the Administrative Rules that relate to EMS. Some modifications of language pertinent to trauma was added for consideration. The intention was to have vote on the Rules at the May meeting, there may be some revisions to that based on the ongoing response.

Designation and Verification during COVID-19 response:

- ❖ **ACS Notice:** The American College of Surgeons (ACS) posted guidance regarding ATLS expiration dates and PI multidisciplinary meetings. The ACS is extending the grace period for ATLS expiration dates for one year. Michigan will honor that grace period and the guidance from the ACS has been posted on the state trauma website. The PI guidance from the ACS allows remote attendance for multidisciplinary peer review meetings. In addition, ACS has granted a one year extension for currently verified hospitals. Hospitals pursuing initial verification will be scheduled beginning 2021.
- ❖ **Michigan Designation Guidance:** Michigan has decided to take a similar approach as the ACS.
 - **ACS verified hospitals:** designations will be extended for one year to match ACS verifications.
 - **Current Michigan verified/designated hospitals:** The verification and designation status will be extended one year.

- **Hospitals requiring on-site focused visits:** Verification/Designation status will be extended, and each hospital will be contacted individually once it is feasible for site visits to be scheduled again. They will receive at least a 90 day notice.
- **Non-verified hospitals:** Will be scheduled starting January 2021.

The COVID-19 Designation/Verification Guidance was approved by STAC with revisions to allow non-verified hospitals to request site visits in 2020 when it is feasible to schedule site visits and the addition of PRQ clarification information similar to the ACS.

- ❖ **Observations about trauma PI during the response:** Dr. Iskander commented about some of the strategies his facility is implementing to address PI including using HIPPA compliant technology to conduct meetings, addressing what can be taken care of and filing other issues until they can be reviewed and managed. Dr. Lamb reported that Quality and PI meetings are similarly on hold and data is being collected until such time as the stakeholders can convene.

Data Report:

- ❖ **Quarterly data:** Was due on March 15th. Lyn Nelson worked with facilities to ensure data was submitted.
- ❖ **Data Submission COVID-19:** The expectation is that data will continue to be submitted. Reported issues related to the COVID-19 response will be considered technical issues with a plan to address.
- ❖ **Inventory:** The Regional Professional Standards Review Organization Inventory is due May 15. Data has been collected to populate the report.

New Business:

- ❖ **Regional Application review:** Considerations are ongoing about methods to address the submission and review of the new Regional Trauma Network applications including meeting electronically, adjusting deadlines etc. As soon as there is clarity on the process STAC will be notified.
- ❖ **Report on tourniquet use in Region 2S:** Dr. Lamb investigated the use of tourniquets in region 2S. Tourniquets are an important component of Stop the Bleed which has been taught extensively throughout the region. Dr. Lamb reported that 75% of the tourniquets applied by police, fire, EMS and bystanders, were applied correctly. Denise Kapnick the RTC in region 2S supported the project.
- ❖ **Michigan Critical Care Collaborative Network:** This collaborative was stood up by the University of Michigan and include Drs. Hemmila and Wang. The purpose is to provide the sharing of best practices, clinical care decision making etc. for COVID-19 patients particularly for facilities that are not heavily resourced <http://www.med.umich.edu/surgery/mcccn/>
- ❖ **Brief report Level II audit project:** The Level III trauma facilities in Michigan were offered the opportunity to participate in a (voluntary) audit. Three facilities participated in the project in 2019. The overall average disagreement score was 1.7%, most of the discrepancies were related to co-morbidity capture (34), discharge data (7), injury profile (9). MTQIP will reach out to additional facilities about participation in this ongoing project as there is significant interest.
- ❖ **Quarterly reports:** No comments on the regional Quarterly reports that were mailed with the meeting materials.

10:00 a.m. Adjourn

The next STAC meeting is Tuesday, June 2 from 9-11 a.m. place TBD