

State Trauma Advisory Subcommittee
February 4, 2020,
Bureau of EMS, Trauma & Preparedness
Lansing, MI

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

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

Call Order: 9:01 a.m.

Minutes from December 3, 2019 approved.

Old Business:

- ❖ **Results of voting for 2020 STAC Chair:** Dr. Gaby Iskander has been voted Chair of STAC for 2020.
- ❖ **Revised RPSRO Policy:** The RPSRO policy Section 5 (Communication) was revised to address the recommendations STAC made at the December meeting ensuring that communication outside of the region regarding system issues are addressed by the Chairs of the impacted regions. The changes were approved by STAC, the policy will be available on the website.
- ❖ **Vacant STAC position:** The position of Life Support Manager, member of EMSCC remains vacant. The EMSCC membership was discussed at the last EMSCC meeting. The bylaws and membership on the various subcommittees are currently under review. EMSCC is aware of the vacancy on STAC and that the application is posted on the website. It is expected that once the subcommittee membership (128 positions) is formalized, there will be applicants for the STAC position for consideration and eventual appointment to complete the term vacated by Jeff Boyd.
- ❖ **Regional reporting:** The annual regional reports were sent electronically after the last STAC meeting in December. There were no comments or questions on the reports. The Quarterly reports have been revised along with the reporting schedule and will be sent to STAC prior to the April meeting.
- ❖ **Trauma Protocols discussed at QATF meeting update:** As noted in the minutes from December, The Region 2N destination protocol originally proposed was withdrawn. The leadership from Region 2N did meet with BETP and had a good dialogue about Administrative Rule language, the Emergency protocol and the discussions that STAC will be having about designation in 2020. The Region 5 protocol that described the development of a regional PSRO for EMS (outside of the regional trauma network RPSRO described in the Administrative Rules) has had a decision from the AG's office that supported the concept excepting trauma since an RPSRO for trauma already exists.
- ❖ **RTN application:** A change was made on the Bylaws section of the new application: The MCA representative must be ~~employed~~ appointed as either a) the MCA medical director, b) the MCA assistant medical director, c) a trauma medical director from one of the MCA member hospitals, d) a hospital administrator from one of the MCA member hospitals, or e) executive director of MCA as employed by the MCA.

Designation Report:

- ❖ **Michigan Designated Facilities:** Currently, 102 facilities are designated, 6 site visits have been scheduled. There are 16 hospitals in the queue waiting for a site visit.
- ❖ **Designation Subcommittee Schedule:** The trauma section would like to add a bullet to the current Designation Subcommittee policy that describes cancelling a meeting due to lack of sufficient agenda items. A motion was made by Dr. Vanderkolk to add language to the current Designation Subcommittee policy that states meetings may be cancelled due to lack of sufficient agenda items. Dr. Lamb supported the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Data Report:

- ❖ **Quarterly data:** Was due on December 15th. There were some challenges, but the last check indicated that all data was submitted as required.
- ❖ **Database Coordinator:** The position is vacant, however there appears to be some progress in getting the position filled.

New Business:

- ❖ **Overview of 2020:**
 - **Monitoring mortality**-this an Administrative Rule requirement, the Inventory is reporting on case fatalities, the Level I, II and III's report out risk adjusted deaths, raw death data such as vital records death data has regional nuances. This discussion will be added to the agenda for upcoming meetings.
 - **Lapsed Designation**-this is described in Administrative Rules, how it will be managed will need to be considered.
 - **Leadership Summit**-there was interest in participating in this Summit annually. An email will be sent out to leadership to gauge the level of participation in a late summer/early fall meeting once a potential location is determined.
 - **RTN Application review process**-The process that has been used in the past to review the Regional Trauma Network applications was briefly reviewed in anticipation of a similar process being used to review and recommend the new applications for approval. As in the past, the applications will be reviewed and voted on by STAC and EMSCC before being designated by the Department.
 - **Final year of appointment**-This is the final year of the three- year term for this STAC.
- ❖ **EMS:** Has been reviewing and revising as needed their Administrative Rules. Trauma has added or recommended some language changes that ensure synergy with the existing trauma rules and processes. The final draft should be available soon, this was a long and arduous process, these rules have not been revised in some time.
- ❖ **SOC:** The SOC coordinator and consultant have drafted a SOC White paper that elaborates on the thirteen recommendations. The draft will be shared with the Expert Writing groups and other stakeholders including STAC for comment and discussion. There was discussion about SOC and system integration, resource utilization.
- ❖ **AIS 2015:** Eileen Worden shared a letter from Image Trend regarding a licensing agreement that would allow for the addition of AIS 2015 to the registry for a cost. STAC voted unanimously to continue to use AIS 2005 which is in the registry currently. There was discussion about; AIS codes generated in smaller facilities that don't use them very often and where the full extent of injuries are not always identified, the challenge with auto-generated AIS from ICD-10 codes, some direct entry facilities have disabled the auto-populated coding due to concerns about accurate AIS numbers.

- ❖ **Verification Designation Strategic Planning:** The Section is planning an internal strategic planning session around the verification/designation process. The final set of first-time facilities are projected to be through the process by the end of 2020. This year there will be an opportunity to evaluate and consider the entire process and procedure. Dawn Rudgers asked that a single activation level for Level IV facilities be considered as part of the review and that will be added to the discussion.

11:00 a.m. Adjourn

The next STAC meeting is **Tuesday April 7, 2020 at 1001 Terminal Road, Lansing**