

Designation Subcommittee Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, March 4, 2025  
Bureau of Emergency Preparedness, EMS and Systems of Care

**Members:** Joseph Buck, Todd Chassee, William Curtiss, Dawn Cloutier, Mark Kerschner, Christine McEachin, Benjamin Mosher, Sally Ossewaarde, Paula Rechner, Christopher Wagner, and Jon Walsh

**Staff and Guests:** Helen Berghoef, Aaron Brown, Doug Burke, Ryan Chadderton, Tammy First, Theresa Jenkins, Denise Kapnick, Lyn Nelson, Penny Stevens, Aubree Verlinde and Eileen Worden

**Call to order at 8:00 a.m.**

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the January 7, 2025, meeting were approved.

**New Business:**

- There are 110 designated trauma hospitals, 4 virtual visits are scheduled through May, and 7 hospitals are in the queue awaiting initial verification visits.
- Tammy and Theresa sought clarification on some questions that have been received.
  - Level III Surgeon Response – There has been confusion about the expected time the clock starts when a surgeon is consulted for trauma patients other than the highest level. The committee agreed the clock starts when the call/request for consultation is made and that the individual hospital can decide the response time frame. This will be clarified in the SOM criteria.
  - MTP Title – Some level IV hospitals want to call the policy rapid transfusion or emergent release. The committee is fine with different names if it meets the criteria requirements.
  - Point of Care Testing/24-hour Lab Availability – A question was asked if a facility could forgo 24-hour lab availability and instead utilize POC testing in off hours. There is concern that this will not provide timely access to certain lab results. The committee agreed that the verification criteria is about hospitals having the ability to perform all labs needed for the trauma patient. The hospitals will need to decide how they will meet that requirement.

**Review of Designation Applications:** *The Designation Subcommittee reviewed and discussed the designation applications. The subcommittee voted on the designation recommendation for each facility listed below:*

Facility	Level	Status	Vote	Recused	Comments
Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital	III	Re-Designation	11 Yes/0 No	N/A	Three years
Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital	III	Re-Designation	11 Yes/0 No	N/A	Three years
Mackinac Straits Health System	IV	In-State Re-Verification/ Designation Extension	11 Yes/0 No	N/A	Two-year extension
Scheurer Health	IV	In-State Re-Verification/ Designation Extension	11 Yes/0 No	N/A	Two-year extension
MyMichigan Medical Center Gladwin	IV	In-State Verification/ Designation	11 Yes/0 No	N/A	One year with a focused visit

**Adjournment: 8:54 a.m.**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 8-10 a.m. via Zoom**