

# MICHIGAN REGIONAL TRAUMA REPORT

## 3rd QUARTER 2025

### Region 8

**Statutory Reference:** R325.132 Rule 8 (3) (a) At least quarterly, a region shall submit evidence of ongoing activity, such as meeting notices, minutes to the department.

### Resource Update: Facility Designation Status:

Facility Name	Designated	Level of Designation
Aspirus Iron River	N	Not Designated
Aspirus Ironwood	Y	LIV
Aspirus Keweenaw	N	Not Designated
Baraga County Memorial Hospital	Y	LIV
Helen Newberry Joy Hospital	Y	LIV
Marshfield Medical Dickinson	Y	LIV
Munising Memorial Hospital	N	In Process
MyMichigan Sault	Y	LIV
OSF St. Francis	Y	LIV
Schoolcraft County Memorial Hospital	N	In Process
UPHS Bell	N	In Process
UPHS Marquette	Y	LII
UPHS Portage	Y	LIII

## Work Plan Objective / Strategic Plan (SP) Objective Progress and Highlights:

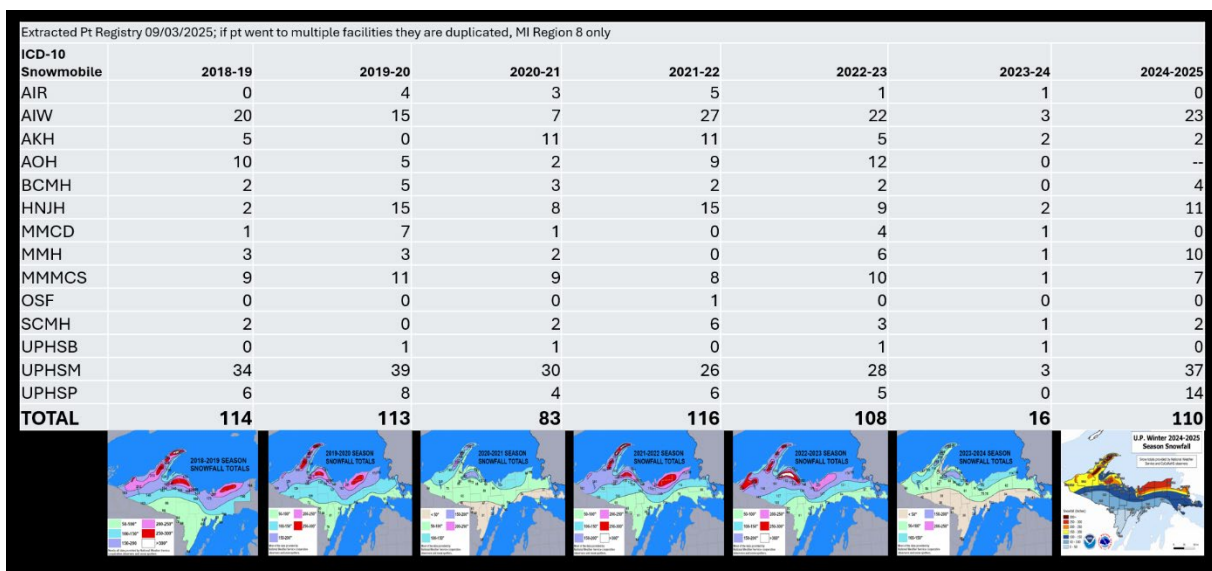
*Complete sections that have progress within the quarter.*

### Injury Prevention

**SP9: Region 8 throughout this workplan 2024-2026, shall continue to work with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Ride Right committee, which addresses our “other land transport” causes of injury.**

**SP13: Region 8 will continue established relationships throughout workplan 2024-2026 with the Upper Peninsula Traffic Safety Network, Regional Healthcare Preparedness Coalition, Region 8 MCA Network, and MDNR Ride Right. By February 2024, the Region 8 Trauma Network will explore involvement in the Upper Peninsula Community Health Needs Assessment process conducted by all the Upper Peninsula local health departments.**

Compiled snowmobile trauma registry statistics in relationship to National Weather Service snow total maps from 2018 through 2025.



Attended two regional healthcare preparedness coalition meetings and shared illustrated reports of regional trauma projects.

Upon an invitation from the Office of Highway Safety Planning, the Regional Trauma Coordinator (RTC) attended a US Department of Transportation Rural Roadway Safety Peer Exchange in Columbus, Ohio. The two-day exchange revolved around the Safe Systems Approach and was attended by seven states. Numerous rural roadway safety concepts were shared and many networking sessions attended resulting in bringing the Safe Systems Approach to the region and incorporation into the Region 8 Trauma Network Board meeting and two presentations at the UP EMS Conference. The RTC met on September 18 with the Upper Peninsula Traffic Safety Network chairperson and MDOT Superior Region transportation safety engineer to discuss how to collaborate using the safe system approach.



## Communications

**Objective:** Through Dec. 31, 2026, annually, the RTC shall seek revisions and maintain the communications redundancy table for every R8 hospital.

**Progress:** The RTN changed the redundancy table to include time dependent emergency capabilities and other types of communications as Region 3 templated. The RTC revised the template and included the R8 Medical Coordination Center (R8MCC) 24/7 contact information and checklist. This resource is now available to life support agencies, emergency departments and hospital emergency operations centers, in addition to the R8MCC.

**Objective:** By April 2024 Establish a procedure with Regional Preparedness for hospitals to notify the Region 8 Medical Coordination Center (R8MCC) should they experience a communications failure and place that information on EMResource.

**Progress:** A power and communications failure affected a Level IV trauma center in R8. The RTC discovered this and asked if the R8MCC was aware and if EMResource had been updated. Both were accomplished shortly after inquiring and served as a reminder of this objective.

## Infrastructure

**Objective:** By September 2024, the RTN shall endorse the state approved trauma protocols.

**Progress:** The RTC provided each MCA, a table of their EMS agencies, approved medications and procedures that they can then use as a template. The MCAs will keep the

table updated and available in their emergency departments for online medical control provider to use.
<b>Objective:</b> By December 2024, the hospitals shall review where they transfer patients, in region, and out-of-region, to ensure congruency with closest and most appropriate to determine if there are areas of opportunity for improving transfers.
<b>Progress:</b> Discussed at July RPSRO meeting and the need to improve the delay and reason for delay capture in the trauma registry. Brought this to the RTN that indicates that will help when attempting to achieve this objective.
<b>Objective:</b> By December 2026, the RTN and the Region 8 Healthcare Coalition (R8HCC) will conduct a half-day workshop and four tabletop exercises (UP west, central, south, east) that incorporate a hospital being unable to accept any patients because of natural and/or manmade disaster. The results of this will provide the foundation for diversion plan development during the next workplan.
<b>Progress:</b> The RTC asked for assistance on this objective by being part of a planning team. The request was made at the September 10 Regional HCC meeting and there have been no responses yet.

### **Regional Performance Improvement**

<b>Objective:</b> By Dec. 31, 2026, with ongoing support of the RTC, the RPSRO will review biannual inventories with complimentary information to inform the RPSRO.
<b>Progress:</b> The R8PSRO met on July 17, 2025, and reviewed inventories from 2024.
<b>Objective:</b> By December 2024, the RTN will author a procedure template for MCAs and hospital trauma programs to adopt that formalizes the relationship between trauma medical directors (TMD) and MCA medical directors and the content to which there should be collaboration, i.e., medical directors' and trauma medical directors' invited to provide input on MCA PSRO reports that involved trauma care.
<b>Progress:</b> The RTN met on September 12, it's first meeting of 2025, and requested the RTC compile a suggestion list of collaborations that TMDs and MCA MDs should establish and distribute that list to MCAs and trauma programs.

### **Trauma Education**

<b>Objective:</b> The RTN shall continue to use its R8TRAUMA Facebook page to provide trauma education relevant to EMS personnel, nurses, physicians, registrars, injury prevention staff, and community members.
<b>Progress:</b> In this quarter, posts were on the following topics: Ride Right ORVs, Fall data and resources, electric vehicle safety, rural surgeons, ATLS education offering, EMS performance measures, pelvis fractures, rural roadway safety, automated crash detection devices, injury prevention symposium flyer, bystander care.

**Other relevant information:**

Munising Memorial, Schoolcraft Memorial and UPHS Bell have all requested they remain in the queue for their first trauma center site visit. UPHS Portage, a level III trauma center, has informed the state they would like to transition from ACS to the state site visit process. Marshfield Dickinson received a trauma program manager orientation for two personnel involved in components of the trauma program manager position. They also requested and received a trauma medical director orientation for a physician considering the position. Their MCA has a vacancy on the RTN Board. MyMichigan Sault has a new trauma program manager that has not received an orientation yet. The RTN Board member position for Eastern UP MCA should be filled by their MCA next quarter. When the RTN meets in 2026, it is anticipated that the person will be seated.

The RTC has been extensively involved in authoring the 2026 Michigan Trauma Data Dictionary and working with the state selected vendor for a new trauma registry product. Additionally, there is new EMS patient care report software and the RTC provided a full day of support at the UP EMS Conference. The RTC also presented at two Regional Healthcare Coalition meetings, one Medical Control Authority meeting, and two EMS continuing education courses at the UP EMS conference.

**Administrative Rule Requirements:**

- ☒ Yes ☐ No      Quarterly meeting minutes on shared drive.
- ☐ Yes ☒ No      All MCA's participating in the RTN. (Dickinson & EUP vacancies)
- ☒ Yes ☐ No      Performance improvement ongoing.