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TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 25, 2022 NOTES

The mission of Maine EMS is to promote and provide for a comprehensive and effective Emergency Medical Services system to ensure optimum patient care with standards for all providers. All members of this board/committee should strive to promote the core values of excellence, support, collaboration, and integrity. In serving on this Board/Committee, we commit to serve the respective providers, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.

Members Present: Joanne Lebrun, Thomas Judge, Benjamin Zetterman, Leslie Anderson, Mindy Gammon,

Tammy Lachance, Julie Ontengco, Pret Bjorn, Chris Turner

Guests: Jennifer Mabey, Norn Dinerman, Jeanne Clark, Gail Ross, Bruce Chung, S. Adelberg

MEMS Staff Ashley Moody, Kate Zimmerman

A Quorum was not present to call the meeting to order.

Dr. Zimmerman provided an update to the group that both Mr. Petrie and Mr. Paré have withdrawn their nominations for the Chair position of the TAC. If you are interested in nominating someone for the Chair position, please send an email to Dr. Zimmerman and Ms. Moody. In order to qualify as a nominee, the member must have been on the TAC for a minimum of two years.

Membership update: Mr. Bjorn notes that Ms. Tscherne has left the state. Dr. Zimmerman will ask Chair Libby to submit a new MEMS Board Representative to the TAC. Dr. King and Ms. Lachance are back on the TAC as voting members as the MEMS Board ratified our bylaws at their September meeting. Those ratified bylaws have been sent to TAC members. Lyndsay Gardner has stepped down as the Emergency Nurse Representative to the TAC. Dr. Zimmerman will reach out to the Emergency Nurses Association to let them know we are seeking an Emergency Nurse to be on our Committee. The position will also be posted. The Trauma System User position is also open. This will be posted as well. Chris Costello has moved from MDI Hospital to Southern Maine Healthcare. She is the MHA rep and will retain this position with the TAC. Dr. Rappold retired, Dr. Bryan Morse is the interim Trauma Director and will take this position on the TAC for Maine Medical Center.

Trauma Center Check In

CMMC: New Chief of Surgery has joined, Dr. Timothy Counihan. New Trauma surgeon, Dr.

Leandra Jelinek. Virtual ACS visit next month.

NL-EMMC: Busy! Have a new surgical intensive care unit. Dr. Fenwick is on a brief leave of

absence.

MMC: ABLS to be offered at Samoset conference on Nov 10th, but enrolment has been low.

Please spread the word.

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MCOT update: November 9th at Samoset. Enrolment has been low.

MDPB: The Green (Trauma Section) review is complete. The new Trauma Triage Guidelines were adopted. Protocols to go live December 2023. Dr. Zimmerman will send a draft of the changes to the group.

Trauma Plan: Please take a look and send comments to Ms. Moody and Dr. Zimmerman.

Dr. Zimmerman asked Dr. Turner if he had any thoughts re: pediatric initiatives for the TAC and would he consider collaboration with EMS for Children. He discussed gunshot wounds/gun safety, nonaccidental trauma as being some of the most devastating and impactful injuries. Dr. Zimmerman will connect Dr. Turner with Marc Minkler who heads Maine's EMS-C chapter.

Next Meeting – January 24, 2023 12:30 – 2:30pm

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