

Maine EMS Trauma Advisory Committee
 Meeting Minutes - Tuesday, July 26, 2011

Present: Pret Bjorn – Chair, Kevin Kendall, Rick Petrie, Chris Pare, Kim McGraw, Brenda Gowsky, Mike Choate, Harry Grimmnitz, Tammy Lachance, Edwina Ducker, Jim Curtis, Joanne Lebrun, Anna Moses, Alicia Paquette, Nancy Jackson, Rob Winchell (video).
Staff: Jay Bradshaw, Jon Powers, Kerry Sousa Pomelow, Kevin McGinnis.

| Topic | Discussion | Action/Follow up |
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| Introductions | The meeting was chaired Pret Bjorn. Members and others in attendance were introduced. The confidentiality policy was stated by the chair, and the confidentiality statement was signed by all. | |
| Minutes of 4/26/11 | The minutes of the previous meeting were considered. | Approved. Grimmnitz, Petrie. |
| Case Review | The case review was presented by EMMC. | Maine EMS will notify PSAPs that LOM should be dispatched without specifying air vs. ground response and LOM will decide appropriate response. |
| Trauma Coordinator Team (TCT) | The TCs will assess ED interval times following TACTAT visits as far back as possible following discussion. A general discussion was held with MEMS Data Manager, Jon Powers, regarding the ability to collect certain data desired by the TAC. The feasibility of adding "onset" time/date was discussed at length, and the TAC suggested that it would be highly desirable for time-dependent conditions such as trauma, STEMI and stroke. Will continue to use PSAP time/date as proxy until this can be added. There was discussion of "time of immobilization on backboard". Jon said that future "dynamic reporting" features will allow the run report to cue data requested to the type of call encountered. Dr. Gowsky questioned the system's ability to capture mechanism of injury. It would be particularly useful to capture this and other data sent ahead to ED. A discussion ensued on a system used at the Bridgton ED where the radio report data is given to the incoming crew who must complete the form (filling in | TCT to pursue ED interval data following TACTAT visits. Pursue "onset time for calls "highly suggestive" of time-dependent conditions for PI purposes. Jay will pursue adding immobilization time to MDPB policy on spinal immobilization, and will share policy draft with MDPB. Add "reporting from scene to hospital" and capturing that data to the next meeting agenda. Pursue the Bridgton type system and publicize to EMS providers. |

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| | <p>what was not reported by radio) before they leave. MMC is also beefing up their requirement to have PCRs completed before crews leave.</p> | |
| <p>Consensus Statement and Clinical Advice Guidelines Development</p> | <p>TBI, Elderly Trauma, and Pain Management guidelines have been posted on the MEMS trauma system website.</p> <p>Anti-Coagulation Management in Trauma: Pret and Dr. Winchell reported that there is evolving consensus that Profile 9 is recommended for Coumadin-based reversal. It was discussed at the Trauma Directors meeting, but nobody was present to elaborate.</p> <p>Doris Laslie presented the proposed "Major Trauma in Pediatric Patients".</p> | <p>TCT will establish links on the website to protocols employed by the trauma centers that are not included in TAC guidelines.</p> <p>"Major Trauma in Pediatric Patients" to be considered for approval in October.</p> |
| <p>Trauma Director Meeting</p> | <p>No report</p> | |
| <p>Technical Assistance Program Revisions</p> | <p>After extensive discussion, consensus was achieved on a policy for recertifying Trauma System Hospitals.</p> <p>A visit is scheduled for Mayo on September 29th. Interest has been expressed by Down East Community Hospital, Parkview, Southern Maine Medical Center, MGMC-Augusta, Rumford and Bridgton.</p> | <p>Motion by Bjorn, Grimnitz: Every 5 years, TSHs must perform a self-assessment with documentation that key players in trauma decision-making in the facility have reviewed the resulting document. This will be reviewed by the state trauma manager and the trauma directors and coordinators of the trauma centers with which that hospital routinely interacts. A meeting will be held that includes at least the TSH's ED director and these trauma system officials (using distance technology if feasible) to review the document and facility status. Approved.</p> |
| <p>Other Business</p> | <p>The Maine EMS System Operations Manual was discussed.</p> <p>The MCOT conference will be held on November 9th, in conjunction with the Samoset EMS conference.</p> | <p>Motion by Grimnitz, Kendall: To approve the Maine EMS Trauma System Operations Manual. Approved.</p> |

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| | RTTD - A program is planned for MGMC. | |
| Adjourn | | Meeting was adjourned at 2:25. |

Next Meeting: October 25th, 2011. 12:15 – 2:30 at Maine EMS. Lunch will be provided.