## Maine EMS Trauma Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, January 26, 2016

**Present:** Chris Paré, Anna Moses, Tammy Lachance, Julie Ontengco, Tom Judge, Matt Sholl, James Curtis, Pete Tilney, Kim McGraw, Norm Dinerman, Yvonne Michaud (Phone), Joanne Lebrun, Amy Fenwick, Kristen Sihler, Carlo Gammaitoni, Harry Grimnitz, Nicole Breton, Matt Chandler, James Reilly, Pret Bjorn, Douglas George, Tim Pieh, Regen Gallagher (Phone),

Staff: Rick Petrie

Topic	Discussion	Action/Follow up
Called to order at 12:40; Introductions	The meeting was called to order by Rick Petrie. Geno Murray was unexpectedly detained with a Hospital issue, and sends his apologies. Members and others in attendance were introduced. The confidentiality policy was stated by Rick, and the confidentiality statement was circulated for signature.	None
Minutes of October 2015	The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed.	Motion to approve (Judge/Grimnitz). All in Favor. Approved.
Case Review (EMMC) Pedestrians Accidents	Pret Bjorn from EMMC presented information he had gathered from the Trauma Centers regarding the increase in Pedestrian accidents. These accidents have more than doubled over the last year (8-2014; 18-2015). While this certainly represents a significant jump from last year, there is historical precedent for wide swings from year to year. We should continue to monitor moving forward. In response to questions about possible causes for the increase, Pret indicated that he had a difficult time getting specific information about driver vs pedestrian activity at the time of the accident. However, Yvonne Michaud reported that national safety data has identified pedestrian error as the most common factor.  There was also a separate topic raised about reviewing self-inflicted, non-accidental injuries as a future review for the TAC.	None. Presentation available to anyone who may be interested in seeing the data. Contact Rick directly.
Trauma Plan Update	Rick had previously sent out a proposed change to the Trauma Plan language as directed at the last TAC meeting. After extensive discussion and review, the group decided on the following language:	Motion to adopt the change in Trauma Plan language as modified (Lachance/Grimnitz) All in favor.

	All Hospitals would will be supported in their efforts to obtain American College of Surgeons (ACS) trauma center verification at any level, but only Level I and II centers are eligible for designation as a "Maine Trauma Center". Level III and IV centers would not be considered "Trauma Centers" and would continue to be designated as "Trauma System Hospitals".  Hospitals that have achieved ACS Level I or II verification can apply to Maine EMS for designation as a Regional Trauma Center. Interested Hospitals should submit a letter of intent to the Director of Maine EMS, along with the material submitted to ACS for verification. Maine EMS will convene a subcommittee of the TAC to review the application and consider designation.  Specific features of the Regional Trauma Center commitment include:  • Current verification as an ACS Level I or level II trauma center and maintenance of the resources as described in the Hospital Resource Table (below). If an approved Trauma Center loses its' ACS verification, Maine EMS will convene a sub-committee of TAC members and interested stakeholders, as selected by the Maine EMS Board and the Chair of the Trauma Advisory Committee, to review the circumstances and develop a recommendation to the Maine EMS Board.	
Trauma Coordinators	Tammy Lachance reminded everyone that the 2016 MCOT conference will be November 9, 2016.  Numbers were a little down for last year, so we are working on a plan to increase the attendance for next year.  Pret reported that EMMC had been told that ACS would schedule the re-verification review as soon as the schedule allows, probably June.	Informational

	Rick updated the group on the status of the statewide Trauma Data Collection project. We have a couple of meeting to discuss acceptance and possible implementation pitfalls, and Maine EMS is currently working to secure funding for the project.	Informational
	The group reviewed the draft gap analysis and made suggestions for the survey. Rick will modify and bring it back to the group in April.	Informational
Trauma Directors	No meeting since last TAC	Informational
TAT/RTTD Update	We have an RTTD program scheduled in Bridgton at the end of January (they have recently had a TAT) and the Calais TAT/RTTD is schedule for March. We are also talking with TAMC to get a program scheduled there.	Informational
Other	No other business	
Adjourn	Next Meeting: April 26, 2016. 12:15 – 2:30 at Maine EMS.	Meeting was adjourned at 2:25. (Moses/Gammaitoni) All In Favor