

Maine EMS Trauma Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, January 23, 2018

Teleconference, no signed roster

Present: Tammy Lachance, Anna Moses, Pete Tilney, Gail Ross, Ben Zetterman, Joanne Lebrun, Amy Fenwick, Pret Bjorn, Joe Rappold, Chris Pare, Julie Ontengco, Kate Zimmerman, Matt Sholl, Mike Bohanske, Bruce Chung, Kevin Kendall, Rick Petrie.

Topic	Discussion	Action/ Follow Up
Called to order at 12:35pm; This meeting was a teleconference because of the weather	The meeting was called to order by Rick Petrie. This will be an abbreviated agenda because it was a teleconference.	None
Minutes from October 24, 2017	There were no changes requested to the October minutes, but we will defer formal approval until the April meeting.	None
Case Presentation	Case Presentation deferred until the April Meeting	None
Trauma Coordinator Team Meeting Update:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCOT 	Rick Reported 65 participants, with good feedback, including a couple “this is the best MCOT I have attended.” Next Year MCOT will be November 7 with a focus on MCI	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trauma Center Updates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MMC – Julie will assume the role of the Trauma Manager, in the process of hiring a Coordinator. 2 new Trauma Surgeons; Laura Withers and Forest Shepard. They have an ATLS course April 2 & 3, and an AIS and Assett course in May. They will send dates once finalized. <p>Tammy asked about the ATLS update to 10th edition. Pret told everyone that they could still use the 9th edition until the end of the year. Amy will work</p>	None

	<p>with the Trauma Centers on the updates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMMC – Actively recruiting a new Trauma Surgeon. Expressed gratitude to CMMC and MMC for help during their Neurosurgeon Shortage. • CMMC –David Burke named interim Trauma Director. Scott Johnson from Beth Israel was hired as the new Chief of Surgery 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statewide Trauma Data Bank • Stop the Bleed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imagetrend working on new 2-step verification process for access to the database at the request of EMMC. Once that is completed, EMMC is set to begin the transition to the product. Pret will keep group updated. Pret also mentioned that they noticed that the new MEFIRS system was very slow. He had expressed his concerns to Tim Nangle. • Anna reported that the Stop-the-Bleed program has a new Facebook page to promote the program. She also noted that March 31 is the National “stop-the-bleed” day and thought it would be good if the TAC could encourage participation. The group discussed encouraging hospitals to conduct outreach programs on that day, and Rick said he would help spread the word among EMS services. Rick also mentioned that the AHA had a Legislative day scheduled for 	<p>None</p> <p>Rick will reach out to AHA to see if we can participate with the Legislative day on March 1. We will also create a mailing list for instructors in the state.</p>

	<p>March 1 and had invited other groups to join them. Rick will reach out to them to see if we can have a table there to promote stop-the bleed. Pret also asked if we could get the word to the current instructors, and Rick will create a mailing list from the rosters.</p>	
Membership List	<p>Rick reviewed the current vacancies in the membership (CDC-Injury Prevention, Trauma Nurse, and Small Hospital Administrator) and asked the group to think about possible replacements. We should plan to finalize the list at the April meeting and forward it to the Maine EMS Board for ratification at their June meeting.</p>	<p>TAC members to submit potentials membership candidates to Rick</p>
Trauma Director/Coordinator Meeting	<p>We are still working to get the group together on a consistent basis</p>	<p>None</p>
MCI Management	<p>The group discussed the desire to develop MCI training and outreach materials for Maine Hospitals and response agencies. Pret mentioned to the group that EMA and the RRC's should also be involved in the process. Matt Sholl also requested that the MDPB be involved in the process.</p>	<p>Members encouraged to send their comments as well as any relevant reference material to Rick to gather in preparation for the April meeting</p>
TAT/RTTD	<p>Waiting for potential dates from RFGH, Calais, Maine Coast, Inland and Pen Bay Hospital. Pret also suggested reaching out to DECH in Machias.</p>	<p>Pret and Rick will reach out to DECH</p>
<p>Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moose Accident Study 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bruce Chung told the group that it had been at least 10 years since the last Moose Accident study was done in Maine, and he would like to work with the other Trauma Centers to re-do the study and bring it up-to-date. CMMC and EMMC both agreed to work with MMC on the study 	<p>All Trauma Centers agree to work on updating the Moose Accident Study</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bruce also brought up that he had been contacted about a national Trauma Systems Study. The study would look at over-and under-triage and how it relates to demographics and mortality. It would also look at transport protocols. He would like all Trauma Centers to participate. The person making the request was sending a sample IRB request that Bruce would modify and send out to the other Trauma Centers. Pret asked what the basic hypothesis was for the study, and Bruce told the group that it was looking at how under- and over-triage affected mortality. • Discussion about appropriate patient transport to the trauma centers. Specifically discussed was Patients with non-survivable transferred because the local hospital did not have the resources to care for these patients, and Patients with relatively minor head injuries that should be able to be cared for locally. The group decided to discuss the minor head injuries at the next meeting to see if we could develop some guidance for the local hospitals. 	<p>Bruce will forward the Study information as well as IRB info to the other Trauma Centers.</p> <p>Amy will put together some information on minor head injuries and transfer decisions for the April Meeting.</p>
Next meeting	The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm by Rick Petrie. The next meeting is April 24, 2018 at Maine EMS; 12:30pm to 2:30pm	None