

Minutes

Trauma System Oversight & Management Committee

February 2, 2006

Called to order at 11:05

Adjourned at 2:10

Location: The Place at Innsbrook

Meeting called by: Morris Reece

Chair: Morris Reece

OEMS Staff: Paul Sharpe, Russ Stamm, Christy Saldana, Jodi Kuhn.

Attendees: Betti Prentice, Don Wilson, Elton Mabry, Kathy Butler, Linda Sayles, Lisa Clapp, Lisa Wells, Lou Ann Miller, Louise Lamond, , Maureen Waller, Nancy Martin, Patrick Earnest, Petra Connell, R. Bland Lawson, Rao Ivatory, Raymond Makhoul, Sonia Cooper, Stanley Heatwole, Tommy Earnest, Valeria Mitchell.

Agenda Topics

Approval of Minutes

Kathy Butler. Request the minutes expand on the issue of the data points that were raised during the December, 2005 TSO&MC Meeting to better reflect the concern that there is with hospitals reporting patient identifying information. An addendum will be added to the minutes on this subject. **Motion** by Dr. Ivatory and **Seconded** by Tommy Earnest to accept the minutes as amended. **Vote** was unanimous.

Chair/Vice Chair Report

No report at this time.

OEMS Update

OEMS Trauma Coordinator:

The OEMS has undergone a reorganization both within the Health Department and internally. The Office as a whole has been moved from under the Deputy Commissioner of Public Health to the Deputy Commissioner of EP&R. Internally the Trauma Program Manager is now reporting to the Director, a change from reporting to the Assistant Director. This change was made in an effort to balance workloads.

During this change, the Durable Do Not Resuscitate (DDNR) program was moved to the trauma program.

With the approval of the 2005 Rev. Virginia Trauma Center Designation Criteria Manual OEMS has revised the designation application process, site review process and record keeping. A roll out of the revisions will be presented at the June trauma conference. As requested at the last TSO&MC, a list of core medical records that will be required to be available during site reviews was drafted (hard copy provided).

There are seven site reviews and two modified site reviews due in 2006. Applications are required to be sent out six months in advance.

A new trauma Web page has been drafted and will include the most relevant trauma documents. Any suggestions for additions to the page are welcome, i.e. trauma related links.

The Virginia Statewide Trauma Triage Plan and Virginia Trauma Center Designation Criteria Manual will be presented to the Board of Health tomorrow afternoon (2/3/06), for final approval.

The second disbursement of the Trauma Center Fund is in the process of being sent out (figures in the trauma quarterly report to the EMS Advisory Board that has been handed out). The distributions total ~\$1.2 million this quarter, up from ~\$614,000 the previous quarter. The fund is required to be reviewed and efforts to assemble the panel have been unsuccessful due to scheduling.

Discussion was held as to whether the panel should meet or adopt the current Trauma Fund Disbursement

Policy as FY07's policy. Dr. Ivatory made the suggestion that we should make the attempt to get the panel together. With out a vote the Chair and OEMS agreed to set a meeting for Thursday, March 7, 2006, which is the date of the cancelled TSO&MC Meeting.

The Medevac Draft Regulations were approved by the Medevac Committee and will be presented to the Regulation & Policy Committee and the EMS Advisory Board, prior to entering the NOIRA Process. Russ Stamm provided an update on the implementation of the trauma centers to the trauma registry. St. Mary's Norton Hospital is no longer part of the Bon Secours health system, it is now named Mountain View Hospital. OEMS is in the process of developing methods to ensure the quality of data submissions to the VSTR, as well as developing sources of output from the data. The committee was encouraged to offer reporting ideas.

There was similar discussion, as stated in the amendment of the minutes, on the patient identifiable data elements that are now required to be reported to the VSTR. It was requested that OEMS look into whether these data elements were appropriately approved.

The Chair asked OEMS to report on recent site reviews that have been conducted since the last meeting. There was only one site review since and that was CJW Johnston Willis Hospital. Two critical deficiencies were noted relating to PI and surgeon response. JW will be required to submit an action plan to correct these deficiencies and under go a modified site review six months after the action plan is received.

PIRC Update

Betti Prentice introduced self. HB 357 bill did not make it through committee. The sub committee of Militia & Police did not consider the photo red bill. HB 1400 to repeal the motorcycle helmet law was reported out by the subcommittee and will move on to the full committee on 2/3.

Trauma Nurse Coordinators

The TNC's are going to meet on the evening of April 5th and at 9 am on the morning of April 6th to work on the development of the agenda for the 3rd Annual Trauma Leadership Conference this June. During this meeting time they will also work on a "Networking" meeting to be held during the ACS, Point to Point meeting in June at Williamsburg. The Virginia TNC's are going to host a networking time for TNC's from hospitals and other State Trauma Coordinators from the Mid Atlantic Region.

Trauma Center Updates

Riverside Regional Medical Center; will have an additional trauma surgeon starting in July. The Riverside Trauma Symposium is schedule for March, 31st. **Montgomery Regional Medical Center** is working on hosting a TNCC class in April and is working with state chair of TNCC to achieve this. **Lynchburg General Hospital** continues to have difficulty with its new computer system. Lynchburg will also be hosting a trauma symposium on April 27th. **VCU** is hosting ATCN courses throughout 2006, they will distribute the dates. The VCU annual trauma symposium will be held on April 18, 2006. Dr. Ivatory shared that he felt as if VCU's ACS site visit went well and they expect their results in March (see new business for further on ACS). **Virginia Beach General** underwent a successful JCAHO visit. This was their first unannounced visit. **Inova Fairfax Hospital** is currently interviewing for another trauma surgeon. Inova's Symposium will be on Friday, November 3, 2006. A new neurosurgeon will begin in April and an orthopedist was hired help cover call. **Winchester** has hired a new orthopedic surgeon and is up for verification this year. **UVA** continues to attempt to recruit another trauma surgeon. Southside Regional Medical Center is currently working on improving internal processes. **Chippenham Johnston Willis (CJW)** the Johnston Willis campus recently had their trauma site review as mentioned earlier in this report.. **Sentara Norfolk General Hospital** is still seeing an increased number of burn visits and is proceeding towards ABA certification. **Mary Washington Hospital** is actively looking for three surgeons and a Trauma Nurse Coordinator in efforts to achieve trauma center designation. **The Center for Injury and Violence Prevention** introduced the Committee to some of the resources available through the CIVP and to the ad hoc reporting ability of their web site.

EMS Regional Councils representative Don Wilson: The TPI Committee has not had its 1st meeting as of yet. The Office of EMS supported the funding of a new PI person for PEMS. This PI position is intended to be used on a statewide basis. The person selected for the position has his degree in public health and recently completed an 18 month fellowship at Duke University. Don will share a method of proceeding with the TPI Committee, electronically, with the members of the TSO&MC. Performance Improvement Committee (TPI).

EMSC No report.

Trauma System Plan

An approximately one and half hour work session was held to develop an action plan on how to accomplish the goals stated in the HRSA BIS project, EMS Strategic Plan, HRSA Grant and the JLARC Report. Details of this plan will be reflected in the drafts of that document.

Old Business

none

New Business

During the center report Dr. Ivatory requested that the Committee re-visit the question that an ACS Verification should be allowed to take the place of a state designation site review. The Chair reminded the Committee that this was very recently addressed during the revision of the trauma criteria and it was felt by the Committee that this was not a desired method of designation in Virginia. There was further discussion that North Carolina had recently attempted this and was not having a positive result.

It was proposed during the meeting that more detailed reports relating to the trauma fund be made available to the individual hospitals. Examples were given that if the hospital could have an itemized report of medical record numbers that were used to develop the numbers that each hospital could research if all applicable patients were being captured. OEMS' statistician will explore this further and report back. The OEMS Coordinator reminded the Committee that the goal is to have the source of trauma fund data is from the trauma registry and this would allow OEMS greater freedom to the data and the ability to be able to develop reports like this. A reminder that the designated hospitals need to be making every effort to implement the new VSTR at their hospital, as the trauma fund, trauma performance improvement and trauma center criteria are connected to their compliance with the VSTR.

Scheduled Meetings

2006 Meeting Schedule

Full Committee Meetings:

2006 Meeting Dates (location :The Place at Innsbrook)

April 6, 2006

June 18-21, 2006 3rd Annual Trauma Leadership Meeting @ Virginia Beach

June 21, 2006 (at Virginia Beach)

September 7, 2006

December 7, 2006

3rd Annual Trauma Leadership Conference: June 18 – 21.