

Prehospital Care Committee
Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services
Embassy Suites, 2925 Emerywood Parkway, Richmond, VA 23294
August 1, 2019
1:00 p.m.

Members Present:	Members Absent:	OEMS Staff:	Others:
Mike Watkins, Chair	Wayne Perry	Wanda Street	Susan Union
Sid Bingley	Derrick Ruble	George Lindbeck	Pier Ferguson
Ed Brazle	Richard Szymczyk	Cam Crittenden	Dreama Chandler
Mike Garnett	Allen Yee	Gary Brown	Kate Challis
Ryan Hite		Jessica Rosner	Valerie Quick
Tim McKay		David Edwards	Dan Freeman
Kelley Rumsey			Kelly Brown
Mark Sikora			Chris Parker
Sherry Stanley			Dynette Rombough
Brad Taylor			Al Thompson
			Sam Bartle
			Tracey Jeffers
			Dallas Taylor
			Dr. Michel Aboutanos
			Christopher Payne

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I. Call to order, Welcome & Introductions:	<p>The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m. Everyone around the room introduced themselves.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Approval of previous meeting minutes – Transcript has been posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall. b. Approval of today’s agenda – Approved by consensus 	
II. Chair Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. TAG Report The TAG met on May 3rd and it was discovered at that meeting that there were some gaps in how we are reporting. As a result, Mike will have a discussion at the System Improvement Committee tomorrow to illustrate the challenges with data collection. In a recent report, data shows that demographic information was missing. He will demonstrate this momentarily. One of the goals of this committee is to engage and educate providers on how to enter data correctly. He reviewed some of the topics discussed at the last TAG Committee Meeting such as the Acute Care Committee’s review of the Trauma Designation manual and the Trauma Site Visit process, physician CME and nursing requirements, the need for more registrars, Emergency Preparedness and Response discussed disaster and pediatric drills and management of disaster plans and blood products. b. Report from the Planning Session The planning session was centered around reviewing the goals of the Trauma System Plan. 	

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	<p>There was discussion about restructuring the Advisory Board, developing a 1-, 3- and 5-year plan for trauma, what it would look like and what's measurable and achievable. The three questions discussed were: What data do we have? What data can we get? and What data do we want? By December a report will be produced on what quality measures exist and what is needed.</p>	
<p>III. Committee Crossover Report:</p>	<p>Kelley Rumsey – EMS for Children Committee A few more of the ambulance child restraint systems are available for agencies. Ongoing encouragement for every agency hospital to have a pediatric champion. Ongoing requests for hospitals and agencies to weigh children in kilograms. Ongoing discussion to include children in disaster exercises and any QI/ PI processes. A few changes and proposals were made to the State EMS Plan specific to children. EMSC is offering 40 free symposium registrations when participants register for three or more pediatric courses.</p> <p>The committee discussed pediatric weights and the use of Broselow Tapes, HandTevy, or other pediatric tools. Dr. Yee stated that the system is moving away from Broselow Tapes.</p> <p>Tim McKay – Injury and Violence Prevention Committee IVP is still in the forming, storming, norming phase. They discussed the mission, vacant seats and what injury and violence means because we had a pigeon hole definition. Karen is trying to expand on that and see what it looks like to different individuals. That discussion will continue today.</p> <p>Ed Brazle – Emergency Preparedness & Response Committee The committee is still getting organized. The committee discussed different disaster exercises and looked at statewide resources (coalitions). There was some discussion about adult and pediatric disaster preparedness.</p> <p>Dr. Aboutanos joined the meeting and gave a brief summary of the planning session that was held. They discussed where the system is now and where we want to be. They talked about not losing sight of the mission and vision. They also decided that TAG will meet every six weeks. The other committees will continue to meet quarterly unless there is a need to meet sooner. TAG will meet tomorrow at 10:30 a.m.</p>	
<p>IV. Unfinished Business:</p>	<p>a. Review of vacant committee seats</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Trauma Survivor/Citizen ii. Non-Trauma Center – Al Thompson was nominated to fill this position. <p>A motion was made by Brad Taylor for all Al Thompson to fill the Non-Trauma Center committee seat. Kelley Rumsey seconded the motion.</p>	
<p>V. New Business:</p>	<p>a. Evaluate data collection process and challenges</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Identify measurable data points <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What data do we have? 2. What data can we get? 	

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	<p>3. What data do we want?</p> <p>Mike Watkins used his agency's system to demonstrate the challenge of how the data is entered and how limited the data selection/collection is. The committee spent a great deal of time discussing the challenges they face with selecting the proper drop down selections for mechanism of injury. They also discussed the medication lists and some of them are not listed or if they are misspelled, they either won't populate or the wrong medication will populate into the field.</p> <p>The committee discussed the measurable data points such as pediatric weights, treat and transfer care, head injury (oxygenation), TBI, pediatric trauma center - where peds are being taken. The data report by the Office of EMS was shown and the committee stated some of the data items that they would like to see: Data should be broken down by age Total EMS call volume vs. trauma call volume Total number of medical incidents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Identify quality improvement/risk reduction item c. Obstacles to data collection d. Training funding for prehospital care What kind of training is available for prehospital care providers and what funding is available? Cam explained that the Office of EMS is hiring educators across the state who will be able to develop and provide standardized training programs for quality improvement. 	
VI. Public Comment:	None.	
VII. Date of Next Meeting:	The original plan was to have the meeting on Tuesday, November 6, 2019 at 1 p.m. in Norfolk, VA. More information will be sent on exact location. Mike stated that the next tentative meeting is Thursday, October 24. He will send out an email with a few options.	This committee decided not to meet on November 6.
VIII. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:52 p.m.	

Respectfully submitted by:
Wanda L. Street
Executive Secretary