

Trauma System Oversight & Management Committee
Virginia Office of EMS
Hampton Inn & Suites/Homewood Suites
700 E. Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219
June 2, 2016
1:30 p.m.

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Other Attendees:	OEMS Staff:
Michel Aboutanos, Chair	Melissa Hall - Excused	Anne Mills	Gary Brown
J. Forrest Calland	Scott Hickey - Excused	Valeria Mitchell	Scott Winston
Lou Ann Miller	Michael Feldman	Saqib Shah	David Edwards
Maggie Griffen		John Hyslop	Cam Crittenden
Sid Bingley		Allen Williamson	Wanda Street
Emory Altizer		Tanya Trevilian	Dwight Crews
Keith Stephenson		Pier Ferguson	
T. J. Novosel		Kelley Rumsey	
Andi Wright		Terral Goode	
Shawn Safford		Mindy Carter	
		Brad Taylor	
		Melinda Myers	
		Dan Freeman	
		Tracey Lee	
		Kathy Butler	
		Lisa Wells	
		Courtney Rapp	
		Kate Challis	
		J. T. Ryan	
		Dallas Taylor	
		Gary Critzer	
		Mark Day	
		Jeff Haynes	
		Wayne Perry	
		Nick Matthelsen	
		Brittany Matheny	
		Sam Bartle	
		Marilyn McLeod	

Topic/Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up; Responsible Person
Call to order:	The meeting was called to order by Dr. Aboutanos at 1:34 p.m.	

Approval of the Agenda:	A motion was made by Dr. Griffen to review and approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Dr. Safford. The agenda was approved as submitted.	The agenda was approved as submitted.
Approval of minutes dated March 3, 2016:	A motion was made by Emory Altizer to approve the minutes dated March 3, 2016. The motion was seconded by Dr. Griffen. All committee members were in favor. None opposed. The meeting minutes were approved as submitted.	The March minutes were approved as submitted.
Chair Report:	<p>Dr. Aboutanos thanked Gary Brown and Office of EMS for all the work they have been tasked with under the tough circumstances. We are happy to have Cam Crittenden on board and he knows that the Office of EMS is looking forward to hiring a Trauma Coordinator as well. Dr. Aboutanos also thanked Gary Critzer for the support and leadership guidance provided to us throughout this process. He also spoke briefly about the video that was shown at the February Advisory Board meeting featuring a young man who had a very traumatic motor cycle crash. The video showed how Virginia's trauma system works from the very beginning to the end of the patient's rehabilitation phase.</p> <p>There are still two vacant positions on this committee: a citizen representative and hospital (non-trauma center) representative. The citizen representative could be Nick Watkins' mom from video. No other names were submitted to Wanda. Anne Mills from Danville Regional Medical Center was nominated as the non-trauma center representative. She agreed. A motion was made for Anne Mills to fill the non-trauma center representative seat on the committee. All committee members were in favor. None opposed. Motion approved.</p> <p>A motion was made by Lou Ann Miller to readdress and discuss the request for additional committee members such as VHHA, injury prevention and rehab representatives as recommended by ACS. The motion was seconded by Emory Altizer. It was suggested not to add members at this point, because it will be hard to catch up since so much work has already been done. It was also mentioned that this committee has a limit as to how many members can be on the committee. Gary Critzer stated that if the Chair can demonstrate why additional seats are needed, and bring this to the Executive Committee, it can possibly be approved. A motion was made to send justification to Gary Critzer and the Executive Committee, as to why the additional membership seats are needed. The motion was seconded and everyone was in favor. None opposed.</p>	<p>Anne Mills will serve as the non-trauma center representative.</p> <p>Dr. Aboutanos will submit justification to add three new members to the committee.</p>
Trauma Performance Improvement Committee Update – Dr. Calland:	<p>Dr. Calland reported that the TPIC committee met this morning and talked about producing the report to the Commissioner of Health. A draft of the report has been completed and a portion of it will be presented today. Comments will be received from the committee before submission to the Commissioner. The report is due to be submitted within 45 days. Dwight Crews explained some of the highlights from the report. See attachment below:</p> <p> 2014 TPIC Annual Report Highlights.pdf</p> <p>The TPIC committee wants to give risk adjusted performance reports to individual regions. They also want to recognize the regions with the highest data completion rate.</p> <p>A motion was made by Dr. Griffen to accept the 2014 TPIC Annual Report, with minor modifications, to be submitted to the Commissioner within 45 days. The motion was seconded and approved.</p> <p>Dr. Calland welcomed Dr. McLeod to the PI committee meeting.</p>	
Trauma Program Managers Update – Andi Wright:	Andi reported that the Trauma Program Managers met yesterday and discussed the growth of the group to 45-50 people to include the registrars and PI coordinators who meet collaboratively in the morning and then break out in the afternoon. Some topics of discussion included state trauma designation manual clarification, state audit filters, and coding issues.	

	Dr. Aboutanos mentioned the ACS recommendation to formalize the TPM group and the registrars group. They weighed the pros and cons of formalizing the group and has not come to conclusion yet. They will continue to discuss this.	
Trauma and Non-Trauma Center Updates:	<p>Updates will now be submitted electronically to be inserted into the minutes.</p> <p>No updates were received.</p>	ATTN: TPMs - Please submit your trauma center updates by email to be inserted here.
Injury & Violence Prevention Subcommittee – Melissa Hall:	No update. Melissa Hall was not present.	
Trauma System Plan Task Force Update – Dr. Aboutanos/Dr. Ryan:	<p>Dr. Ryan projected the mission and vision statement for approval by the committee.</p> <p>Mission – “To reduce the burden of preventable injury and to deliver the highest quality, evidence-based care for all within the Commonwealth along the continuum of care from the prehospital setting, through definitive acute care and rehabilitation with data analysis, quality improvement and ongoing funding.”</p> <p>Vision – “The Commonwealth of Virginia trauma system will be a high quality, cost effective, accessible statewide system of injury prevention and trauma care for all.”</p> <p>A motion was made to accept both the mission and vision statements as written. The motion was seconded and approved.</p> <p>Dr. Ryan reported that four of the six workgroups met this morning and each of them gave an update at the Trauma System Plan Task Force meeting that was held just before this meeting. A new workgroup was also created called Disaster Preparedness. The minutes of the workgroups will be place on the OEMS website and on the Virginia Town Hall. They will continue to meet regularly and a meeting will be held by the chairs and co-chairs of each of the workgroups to identify areas of crossover and assign those areas to the appropriate workgroup.</p>	
VA COT Committee Update:	Dr. Calland reported that the COT met since the last meeting and the main topic of discussion was the expansion of trauma centers in the Commonwealth. They discussed certificate of need and the areas that lack timely access to trauma care such as in the southwestern parts of the State. The other discussion topic was interest in the concept of the ACS verification process and how this would cause financial burdens on some trauma systems. However, the upside would be routine collection and reporting of risk adjusted benchmark of data for all of the trauma centers in the Commonwealth. There are no teeth to this, but is merely an observation and would be useful to give regular feedback to the centers.	
Medical Direction Committee Update – Dr. Marilyn McLeod:	The MDC met in April and discussed significant issues getting students through intubation skills. A lot of hospitals are refusing to allow them to come in for their training. They also discussed EMS provider fatigue issues.	
Trauma Registrar Update – Brittany Matheny:	Brittany reported that the registrars met yesterday and discussed ICD-10 coding and how it is impacting the registrar productivity. They also discussed AIS diagnosis coding and its impact on ISS scoring. The registrars also discussed state and NTDB (National Trauma Data Bank) submission issues along with daily hospital hub issues. They ended the meeting by discussing an ICD procedure cheat sheet that they will share among trauma registrars across the state once it is complete.	
OEMS Update – Gary Brown:	<p>a) Introduction of new Manager of Trauma and Critical Care</p> <p>Gary introduced Camela Crittenden, the new Manager of Trauma and Critical Care. Cam gave a brief update by stating that she is a Registered Nurse and has been involved in the pre-hospital and emergency department</p>	

	<p>system for the last 17 years. She is excited to join the Office of EMS. She looks forward to working with everyone. Gary stated that the Trauma/Critical Care Coordinator position is still open until Monday if anyone is interested in applying.</p> <p>b) Approval of potential site reviewer (Brooke Thomas, Riverside Regional Medical Center) Everyone reviewed Dr. Thomas' CV. A motion was made by Dr. Griffen to approve Ms. Thomas as a site reviewer. The motion was seconded and approved.</p>	
<p>Old/Unfinished Business:</p>	<p>A. Transfers of Pediatric patients to non-trauma designated pediatric hospitals – Dr. Novosel, Valeria Mitchell, Mark Day, Lou Ann Miller</p> <p>Background information: “Dr. Novosel explained that the Norfolk/Hampton Roads area is a very unique system. It has the only freestanding pediatric hospital in the Commonwealth which is a completely different facility than Norfolk General, a Level I trauma center. We have had ongoing issues with this for a few years but it is increasing. Children’s Hospital of the King’s Daughters (CHKD) is not currently a designated trauma center, but is planning to become a trauma center. The mechanics of taking care of pediatric patients at Norfolk General is very limited. The old system was to transfer pediatrics from Norfolk to CHKD. The plan is to avoid having the pediatric patients come to Norfolk General. EMS is concerned that they are transferring pediatric trauma patients from a Level II or Level III to a non-designated trauma center, CHKD.”</p> <p>Today’s discussion focused on the fact that this is happening all the time and no one has countered this during the site reviews. According to Lou Ann, at the last meeting Melissa Hall mentioned that if a facility specializes in children, what holds them back from saying bring your children here? Dr. Safford stated that this is an immediacy issue. Dr. Haynes questioned why this is coming before this committee without PI data. This came about because of the concept of patient transfers being taken to an appropriate location. The language of the trauma designation manual needs to be reviewed. Cam will review and send out information on this to the committee by email. Pros and cons will be submitted as well as guidelines. Forrest Calland volunteered to work with Cam on this.</p> <p>A motion was made to table this issue until further information is reviewed by Cam. Cam will provide to the committee all relevant language to guide the decision making at least 30 days prior to the next meeting. The motion was moved by Dr. Calland and seconded by Dr. Novosel.</p> <p>B. Request for additional required reportable diagnosis code to the VSTR – Shaken baby T74.4 – Ms. Goodall, Ms. Cantrell, Ms. Baggini</p> <p>This agenda item was tabled at the last meeting and due to changes in OEMS staff, no review of the coding or discussions with the registrars were held. This item will be added to the next meeting.</p>	
<p>New Business:</p>	<p>Based on the current agenda, there a quite a few committee membership terms ending in September. We will have to address this at the next meeting. Committee members are encouraged to let Dr. Aboutanos if they would like to continue in their positions.</p> <p>Dr. Calland made a motion that we proceed according to the by-laws of this committee, that a notice be sent to each member that their term is expiring and that they should make a commitment for another term or make a nomination. The motion was seconded by Andi. All committee members were in favor of the motion.</p> <p>An email from Cam will go out to all of the trauma managers and directors in Virginia and a response should be received</p>	

	within 30 days. Dr. Aboutanos will work with Cam on this.	
Public Comment:	None.	
Adjournment:	The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:24 p.m.	2016 TSO & MC Meeting Schedule: September 1 December 1

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