

Western Regional Trauma Advisory Committee (WRTAC)
Friday July 10, 2015
Saint Patrick Hospital

Called to order at 1153 by Dr. Lillard

Minutes reviewed from previous meeting and approved.

Introductions made:

SQI Presentation:

KRMC 3 cases discussed

SPH 4 cases discussed.

New Business

Old Business

State Reports:

Trauma system budget is \$157,141 and this includes Salaries with benefits, designations, registry contract, supplies and materials, travel, meeting conferences and education.

Grants- HRSA Flex grant 2016 funding is limited for trauma.

- There will be no more funding for CAH designation trauma surgeon payments.
- New proposal to obtain funding for temporary position of a CAH – Trauma performance improvement coordinator.

Hospital Preparedness Ebola Grant

- Dayle Perrin is providing funds \$3000 to each RTAC for scholarships to RMRTS through federal Ebola grant since infectious disease/Ebola is a topic.

MDT grant

- Proposal for funding to provide each RTAC the ability to fully support 2 TEAM courses in each region.

System funding \$10,000/RTAC

Short 9 question survey sent out via email on June 5th

2015 Legislature update

- HB 147 Adopt Nurse Licensure Compact
- HB 429 Interstate Medical Licensure Compact
- SB 375 Increase Highway Speeds to 80 Mph

Several Study Bills were passed

Designation update

- Big Horn County Hospital Hardin TRF
- KRMC Area Trauma Hospital ACS Level 3
- North Valley Hospital White Fish CTF

Pending STCC confirmation

- Pondera Medical Center
- Providence St. Joseph Hospital
- St. Peters Hospital

DI conversion to CV5 in January 2016. \$33,750 – purchased with extra tobacco funds. Timeline- installed by end of September training in the fall with go-live January 1, 2016

Nurse's notes completed by John Bleicher: Trauma care can be improved in Montana

EMS and Trauma Awards

- Career EMS provider of the year – Nick Jacobs
- EMS Service of the year – Glacier County EMS
- Volunteer EMS provider of the year – Drew Hendrickson
- Trauma Services Award – John Bleicher

MTS is September 23rd

RMRTS September 24 and 25th in Billings

ATLS

- September 11-12 Helena
- November 6-7 Billings

STCC Vacancies

- ACEP
- MT. Emergency Medical Service Association

Injury Prevention:

- Staying safe in the summer heat and preventing heat related illness
- Fall Prevention
 - 11 new Stepping On leaders trained in June
 - Planning events for Fall and Prevention Awareness Day Sept 23
 - Recent clinical recommendations sent out regarding fall risk among those with diabetes.
 - www.cdc.gov/STEADI for trainings and outreach materials
 - Stepping On materials can be found at www.chronicdiseaseprevention.mt.gov

EMS update:

Mission Lifeline Montana

- Administered by the AHA
- EMSTS involvement is at the committee level
- All EMS equipment monies have been allocated
- Training for EMS agencies and hospitals is being scheduled
- Contact Dr. Dave Simpson 406-799-5418
- Hospital contact Joani Hope at 406-671-1640

PHTLS

- 4 Courses completed in 2015
- Miles City scheduled for Sept 12 and 13
- 8th edition instructor update deadline is 7/31
- Waiting for confirmation of 2016 funding

Cardiac Ready Communities

- Currently scheduling community meetings in EMS region 6
- Master trainer session scheduled for July 31 and August 1st in Miles City, 17 Lucas devices will be distributed at that meeting.
- Master trainers will be providing training at each agency that receives the LUCAS device
- The program will be rolled out by EMS Region
- Janet Trethewey project manager 444-0442

SIM MT

- Mobile simulation labs
- Currently researching a public/private business model for sustainability
- Stakeholder meeting August 27 in Helena
- Grant funding for three years
- Sustainability plan must be built into grant application

Committee Reports

No expenses since last meeting \$1,079 + \$3,000 newly awarded for Ebola preparedness and RMTS and \$10,000 from state funds. 4 people from each hospital and facility will be paid for by WRTAC.

EMS/Medical Director Meeting: Getting people to the right place in a timely manner the first time. Be more proactive in having an upfront protocol to activate or dispatch the air transport teams. Taskforce will be established by next meeting.

RN Meeting: Discussed changing the meeting focus and make it only an hour long meeting.

Planned area trauma updates

KRMC - ER still under construction – intend to have a full complement of pediatric services.

Ruby Valley building new hospital breaking ground next spring.

SPH – delivering Babies starting August 3rd.

Public Comment