

Western Regional Trauma Advisory Committee (WRTAC)
Friday January 9th, 2015
Saint Patrick Hospital

1150 meeting called to order by Dr. Milheim

Minutes reviewed and approved

SQI Presentation

KRMC Case

1 case reviewed

Saint James Hospital

1 case reviewed

Providence Saint Patrick Hospital

3 cases reviewed

New Business:

Legislature- If you could get more money, what would you do with it?

If we are going to make a proposal to the state legislature what would we want to do with it?

- Centralized dispatched
- Education/grants
- Facility staffing to devote to Trauma system
- Reimbursement for uncompensated care
- Money for volunteer services.

Email Alyssa Sexton further thoughts

Old Business:

State Reports:

New Montana Trauma Facility Designation Criteria starts in January

Designation Updates:

September:

Forsyth: Trauma Receiving Facility

Columbus: Trauma Receiving Facility

October:

Shelby: Trauma Receiving Facility

Choteau: Trauma Receiving Facility

Chester: Trauma Receiving Facility

November:

Roundup: NEW! Trauma Receiving Facility

Anaconda: Community Trauma Hospital Reviewed

CMC Missoula: Area Trauma Hospital Reviewed

Plains: Community Trauma Hospital Reviewed

Montana Trauma Registry Inclusion Criteria

- We did not change registry criteria, just changed the format
- Tried to simplify the form using a flow chart instead of previously used columns
- We received objections that the old format was difficult to understand
- We were missing many patients that actually did meet criteria
- Both will be available for use and on the website

Facility Resource Guide:

- Sent to printer the end of December and will be available soon
- Guide will be available to assist with transfers, locums knowledge of facilities and capabilities
- Will include Facility/Staff info patient transport info, lab and radiology info
- Also including Air Medical, Facility Designation List and Summary of ECP Levels

New Re-Designed Website:

<http://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/emsts.aspx>

2015 Legislature:

Link on EMSTS website proposed legislation that may affect EMS/Trauma/Healthcare/Injury Prevention

Some Current Introduced/Un-Introduced bills include:

- Provide for primary seatbelt law
- Distracted driving
- Air medical subscriptions
- Sharing healthcare information with law enforcement
- Adopt nurse licensure compact
- Benefits for emergency responders
- Increased highway speed to 80 MPH
- Healthcare professional reporting requirements for gunshot/stab wounds
- And more....

ATS Dates:

2015 Full Course

2015 Refresher Course

Feb 27- 28 Great Falls
March 20-21 Billings
May 29-30 Missoula
November 6-7 Billings

Feb 28 Great Falls
March 21 Billings
May 30 Missoula
November 7 Billings

STCC Resignations:

Vacancies:

- American College of Emergency Physicians
- MT Emergency Medical Service Assoc.

Web-based Collector Training:

- Go Live delayed but expected January, 2015
- Recent training was held in November
- Watch for upcoming dates to continue training, access to secure server
- This is mandatory training for paper abstract users
- Encourage logging into test-site for practice of entering charts
- Letter to facilities coming soon related to state web-based system being a secure site for patient records

Data Submission:

- The software based users download to the state quarterly which gets uploaded into our central trauma data registry
- To be consistent, we will want the web-based users to comply with the same requirements
- This will be posted on the website for reference

Data Validation:

- Ensures consistency in abstraction and data entry for the registry
- Ensures accurate data used for education, research, policy compliance, injury prevention and trauma center verification/designation
- Should be integral part of the overall performance improvement process

Pediatric Disaster Response and Emergency Preparedness Training: June 18-19 in Billings**Committee Reports:**

Education/Finance - Next meeting discuss resources for next fall. We have \$1,096 at this time.

EMS/Medical Directors - Discussion regarding transporting to the appropriate facility and centralized dispatch.

RNs - Discussion around recent designation visit and lessons learned in preparation and during the visit. PI and peer review integration between hospital and trauma process. Coordinator/Registrar job description review.

Planned Area Trauma Updates:

Should we have agreements with other flight services on transporting blood? John will give contact information of flight crews to SPH blood bank.

RN and EMT faculty needed for ATLS courses: Contact Gail Hatch at the state office

Megan Hamilton will help facilities/agencies meet education needs for nurses and EMTs free of charge

TNCC in July

ENPC in January and June

ATCN offered at ATLS courses in Billings

Spring Fever Saturday April 11th free of charge at the Hilton Garden Inn

Online registration in early March

Public Comment:

NEXT WRTAC APRIL 10th AT SAINT PATRICK HOSPITAL