

Connecticut Trauma Committee
Connecticut Hospital Association
March 11, 2020

Present: Shea Gregg, Chairman; Deborah Bandanza, Recorder; Kim Barre; Angie Brown; Brian Cournoyer; Tara Elliott; Jean Jacobson; Gary Kaml; Renee Malaro; Jackie McQuay; Monika Nelson; Michael Nicholson; Ruth Piehler; Paul Possenti; David Shapiro; Jennifer Tabak; Heath Walden

Meeting was called to order at 14:00

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Approval of minutes		Minutes for February 2020 were reviewed and approved.	
OEMS Report		EMS data is being moved to Image Trend. Trauma data will stay with Collector.	
EMS Advisory Board		Legislation passed with regard to school bus driver education in the use of epi pens. The buses are not required to stock the pens, but drivers must be trained in their use. However, there is no one providing the education to the bus drivers.	
State Trauma Registry update		Two more hospitals are in the process of data migration.	
Liaison to ACS COT position		Dr. Gates has submitted the required paperwork for the position and the governor is reviewing the application.	
Stop the Bleed		<p>Dr. Gregg met with the school health education coordinator for the State of Connecticut and discussed the history and present state of Stop the Bleed in the state. She felt the curriculum was important and relevant to the school system and suggested presenting the curriculum to the school nurses' professional development day on May 13.</p> <p>Communication from the school health educator includes a regular bulleting. It was suggested that a flyer outlining Stop the Bleed be submitted to the bulletin.</p> <p>Dr. Gregg reported that since there is no one currently providing epi pen administration education to bus drivers, that we could provide that education along with Stop the Bleed education.</p>	

		It was proposed that a committee be formed to develop a plan to scale Stop the Bleed to the school system. David Shapiro will take the lead and be supported by Jen Tabak, Kim Barre, and Ron Gross.	
Protocol Updates	Field Trauma Triage Review	The committee approved the Field Trauma Triage Protocol as written.	Will be presented at CEMSMAC for formalization.
	Prehospital Administration of Cefazolin for Open Fractures	The committee approved the protocol as written.	Will be presented at CEMSMAC for formalization.
Legislation		Due to the Covid-19 response, the legislative sessions are in flux.	Brian Cournoyer will keep the committee informed.
Covid-19 Information Sharing		Workforce issues could come to the forefront and there should be a plan for emergency credentialing in case of a staffing crisis. There is a process in place for YNHHS and other hospitals are discussing plans for emergency credentialing. The state has asked CHA to collect data on hospital capabilities, inventory, and negative pressure rooms. DPH has ventilators available.	
	Covid-19 preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPE supplies are being depleted and there was discussion on where to store the supplies so they will be available when needed. • Education needs to be done on the proper use of face masks. • DPH is looking for on-campus alternative sites for screening/testing with the recommendation that each hospital have their own site. • Conferences will be video-only. • American Burn Association is suspending site visits for the next 2 months. 	

The meeting was adjourned at 15:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Shea C. Gregg, M.D.