

Connecticut Trauma Committee
ZOOM Meeting
May 4, 2022

Present: Shea Gregg, Chairman; Monika Nelson, Recorder; James Dodington; Karl Schmidt; Adrian Maung; Angie Brown; Chayelle McKay; Dave Bailey; John Sottile; Jennifer Holzer; Jennifer Tabak; Jessica Gildea; Kimberly Barre; Nancy Moreau; Paul Possenti; Peter Ingraldi; Samantha Barbieri; Tara Vanderbes; Tricia Morrell; Dale Guerrero; Heath Walden; Robin Crogan; Sharon Weintraub; Kevin Schuster; Jonathan Gates; John Quinlavin; Manuel Moutinho; Deborah Bandanza

Meeting called to order at 14:03

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Approval of minutes		Minutes for March 2022 were reviewed and approved.	
OEMS Report		There is starting discussion regarding new state filed guidelines. More to come.	
CEMSMAC Report		Dr. Gross accepted a position at St. Francis Hospital-Trinity Health. Dave Bailey reported that state-wide protocols were approved and published. Needle thoracostomy protocols are being discussed regarding indications for performing field needle decompression. Hemorrhage protocols are being updated regarding bleeding control with tourniquet use. Also Whole Blood initiative is moving toward protocol phase which is gaining lots of interest.	
EMS Advisory Board Report		Nothing new regarding trauma.	
State Trauma Registry Update		Regarding personal hospital registries - ESO Wave conference took place at end of April and a demo of the new EOS registry was presented. It was stated that they are looking at potential sites for beta-testing. The other option of registry from ImageTrend – stated there is a concern with data mapping of this system. Currently majority of state of CT hospitals are on ESO Div5 – it was stated that DI will not sundown the current system for a “few more years”. The new ESO product is still not showcasing any costs. Regarding the state registry – Hospitals are submitting quarterly to state registry, but there is uncertainty if everything is mapping over correctly in the new registry at this time. There was	

		discussion whether the state of CT can assist in budgeting for the new registry for each hospital, but it was stated there is no talks of this at this time. Funding for the registry years ago came from a another funding source that helped off-set costs.	
ACS COT		No report was presented.	
Legislature		No report was presented.	
Injury Prevention Update	Stop the Bleed	There is a STB even happening later in May to educate the Hartford Public School nurses. CCMC is leading this with assistance from other trauma centers. National Stop the Bleed Day is May 19 th .	
	Not One More – Healthcare Heroes Campaign	Advisory board meeting held at end of April showcasing video vignettes that have been developed with a few of the trauma centers that participated. There was another date for more videos but have not received much interest. Plan is to have another media campaign before Memorial Day to focus on efforts for the summer holidays – 4 th of July, Labor day, graduations, etc.. Discussion of where this media press conference will take place, and it was stated that once the decision is officially made that communication will be sent out.	
	Hospital Violence Intervention Program (HVIP)	Updated on the HVIP collaborative – new staff starting in the Hartford Community – HH, CCMC, and SFH. City allocated funding for this initiative in a grant, and there has been state-wide collaboration in this through the CHA. There are discussions of insurance reimbursements for victims of IPV – members from the state trauma committee will receive an invite for these meetings.	
	Gun Buyback	Discussed initiatives for statewide gun buyback and if that was being planned again for October-time. Stated there was typically a June event in some towns. Stated that the state-wide event is being driven by the Newtown Action Alliance.	
	Fall Prevention	Matter of Balance fall prevention program. Stamford Hospital has a program starting and partnering with pharmacy to investigate poly-pharmacy issues, PT for gait balance, as well as home safety adjustments. Stated that	

		hospital was helping with funding for this program. Discussion regarding the new Gray Book having a geriatric-focused requirement that centers will be responsible for.	
2006 Consult Visit		Discussion regarding an official state consultation visit. Presentation of the 2006 evaluation gap analysis and discussion of the positions that existed then but are no longer there (ie. Trauma system coordinator). Reported that it would benefit us to have a system to look at aggregated data, but was also stated that funding would be difficult for this.	
Gray Book – 2022 Standards discussion	Statewide Radiology sharing	<p>Discussed the new Gray Book (Optimal Care of the Injured Patient – 2022 Standards) came out and has new guidelines to follow for visits starting in 2023.</p> <p>Standard 3.6 – Remote Access to Rad Imaging states that there is a need for radiographic sharing and this will be a requirement – for all centers to have ability to share radiology images electronically prior to patient transfer to other trauma centers.</p> <p>Yale stated they have the cloud system which allows this – “Life Image” that sends rads to cloud from outside hospitals and a Power Share Network that enables this. Asked if other centers have this as well and what product they utilize to meet this requirement.</p> <p>It was also brought up that there will be a need to incorporate new geriatric/geriatrician requirements that many centers do not currently have in place.</p>	

Meeting adjourned at 14:58.

Respectfully submitted,
Shea C. Gregg, M.D.