

Connecticut Trauma Committee

ZOOM Meeting

Date: 03/06/2024

Present: Dr. Shea Gregg, Chairman, Chayelle McKay, Recorder, Kim Barre, Manny Moutinho, Matt Carlson, Ron Gross, Adrian Muong, Renee Malaro, Ann Cook, Brian Cornoyer, Dale Gurera, David Bailey, Angie Brown, Dayna Failla, James Dodington, James Powell, Jay Bresky, Jessica Mancarella, JP Iacobelli, Karl Schmidt, Kevin Shuster, Nicole Velez, N. Moreau, Jess Gildea, Robin Grogan, Heath Walden, Kevin Dwyer, Sam Barbieri, Susan Wilson, Monika Nelson, Taylor Fusco Ruiz, Thanos Petrotas, Stephanie Montgomery, Isabel Muronzi-Belfon, Joanne Kim, Alfred Croteau, Gary Kaml, Stephanie Joyce, Peter Ingraldi, Jen Tabak, Sharon Weintraub, Kate Lannard

Meeting called to order at 14:00

TOPIC	ISSUE	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Approval of minutes		Ron Gross Monika Nelson	Minutes approved.
Introductions	Any new first-time attendees	Isabel Muronzi-Belfon, new TPM at Bridgeport Hospital	
Gratitude/Success Sharing		Windham Hospital is using PRC's in the field. Greenwich Hospital has achieved their level 3 trauma verification.	
OEMS Report		-Rich Kamen not on the line for a report.	
CEMSMAC Report		-Dave Bailey reports no new initiatives for discussion. New EMS protocols have been rolled out and are being implemented. Any corrections to the protocols will be released. -There is work being done with Medicaid reimbursements with EMS and State legislation. EMS who relies on some of these Medicaid dollars banded together to make a statement at the State house that these cuts would not be beneficial to EMS. This was led by Mike Loiz, who is the legislative liaison. -B. Cournoyer reports the above is correct. There is active lobbying with EMS providers to restore those funds. This was well received. The appropriations committee is going through their budget and the funds should be restored at the end of March/early April. -R. Gross has been the representative for CEMSMAC for many years and has agreed to stay on. If anyone has any interest in joining/transitioning into CEMSMAC can reach out to Ron Gross at (860) 306-1410.	
EMS Advisory Board Report		-See the above for the legislative work being done.	
State Trauma Registry Update		-E. Little not on the line for a report. -M. Nelson gave the update for Eliza. Each center uploads their data. They have a request to get the trauma centers access to this state data. There is difficulty getting access to	

		<p>certain people to see different areas of the reports. DPH is still trying to figure out how to share these trauma reports with different users and how to restrict access to everything else that lives in the program. In the meantime, Eliza is working to get the data in a 2 dimensional still format so the centers can use the state data to see how their data compares with other centers. They are meeting again on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Let Monika know if you have anything you would like to see and she will bring it back. The difficulty is not an access problem but how to restrict people seeing other areas of the state program (not just trauma).</p>	
ACS COT		-J. Gates not on the line for a report.	
Legislature		<p>-Hemorrhage control education letter has been sent to Public Health chairs Cristin McCarthy Vahey and Sen. Dr. Anwar. The legislative outreach individual at HHC has been engaged in this as well as Lenworth Jacobs and Rocco Orlando. The ask is to build legislation around STB education for schools and install hemorrhage control kits in areas of public gathering.</p> <p>- Working on getting on the schedule to discuss the above and move things forward. It will need to then go to a public hearing. We will need to go to our individual groups to where we have done training and show the work that has been done and provide public testimony.</p> <p>-Large STB course at The Hartford given by L. Jacobs.</p> <p>-K.Schuster recommended going through the committee chairs for support in getting this to legislature.</p> <p>-Trauma as a standing committee originally proposed and is a work in progress.</p> <p>-No new pre-hospital protocol updates.</p>	
ACS Verifications		<p>-St. Vincent's is scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>-Connecticut Children's is scheduled for September 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>-Lawrence + Memorial consultation visit scheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>-Bridgeport Hospital will be having their visit February 2025.</p> <p>-R. Gross recommended that centers reach out to some of our state members who are reviewers with any questions regarding upcoming visits.</p>	
Injury Prevention Update		<p>-J. Bresky not on the line for a report.</p> <p>-J. Powell reports that they will forward our information to the Injury Prevention committee. They meet quarterly.</p>	

		<p>-This will be taken off the agenda. We can ask for a state committee intervention report.</p> <p>STB programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Large STB program at The Hartford.</li> <li>-HHC working with the local community outreach teams to do a train the trainer (next month).</li> <li>-Question asked if there is an opportunity to do programs for Hospital at Home. There is a large opportunity for geriatric falls/bleeding.</li> <li>-Bridgeport Hospital reports doing a modest amount of programs for medical diagnoses but not for falls.</li> <li>-M. Nelson reported HH is doing an outreach program with Mothers United Against Violence with training their staff.</li> <li>R. Malaro reported working with The Norwich Chamber following the trauma conference working with the schools.</li> <li>T. Fusco Ruiz reported they have partnered with Avon public schools and have been training the teachers. They are also working a Let's Not Meet By Accident program for the students.</li> <li>-We do not have a cataloging system for a statewide data base for our injury prevention efforts. We can tap into this data base for legislative efforts. R. Gross is working on this from the college level.</li> <li>-Robin from Stamford reports having discussions with their school board. They are eager to have STB training being a required elective health course for their high schools.</li> <li>-R. Gross is looking to implement STB into the East Haddam schools for all of their employees.</li> <li>-S. Gregg asked for assistance from the Injury Prevention coordinators and/or the TPM's to write down what school systems has each center worked with for implementing STB education over the past 3-4 years. Submit your email to S. Gregg and C. McKay. Break it out by town, each individual school, and who was taught and number of people taught. We can compile this data on a map showing where we have taught and where we need to go next.</li> <li>-April is injury prevention month.</li> </ul>	
<p>Not One More – Healthcare Heroes Campaign</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-J. Kim reports they are in the final steps of selecting their new media vendor.</li> <li>-Not One More provided training to 43 students at Hartford High School.</li> <li>-Wellness fair at University of Hartford where 150 students visited the NOM booth.</li> </ul>	

		<p>-Danbury Hospital had a meeting with Danbury High school to plan for a Not One More event.</p> <p>-Not One More would like centers to share the cohesive social media contents on the centers platforms for special awareness days and holidays and tagging CT Not One More.</p>	
Hospital Violence Intervention Program (HVIP)		<p>-J. Dodington working with the CT DPH group on community violence programs and outreach to bring advocacy programs forward. Sen. Anwar is involved in this as well. Please include Dr. Shapiro, Johndro and Dodington to help advocate with the legislative move for STB and to help move the bill along.</p> <p>-Work being done at DPH. Reach out to Dr. Dodington and Shapiro if you have any concerns that need to be heard at the commission level. Any collective work from this group can be shared by Dr. Dodington.</p> <p>-S. Gregg reports St. Vincent's has been meeting with the Street Safe team to help with developing a brief intervention with trauma patients who experienced violence and meet with them in the hospital.</p>	
Open Forum		<p>-R. Gross mentioned there is a trauma conference- McSwain Charitable Trust and McSwain Trauma Educational project who lectures on the third Thursday of every month at 09:00 AM. They work with Mission CIT (EMS educational organization). They are having a conference on June 4<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>-J. Tabak reported they are working on a pre-conference on trauma informed care course scheduled for April 23<sup>rd</sup> (the day before the trauma conference).</p> <p>-CT State Committee on Trauma Conference will be held at Mohegan Sun on April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. S. Gregg recognized the team for the incredible amount of work it takes to bring this conference together.</p>	

Meeting adjourned at 15:03

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