

**Georgia Committee for Trauma Excellence
Minutes March 17, 2010
Skyland Drive**

Members Present:

Athens Regional Medical Center	Kathy Sego	Michele West	
Atlanta Medical Center	Rochella Mood		
CHOA Egleston	Greg Periera	Karen Johnson	Liz Atkins
CHOA Scottish Rite	Julie McInnis		
Floyd Medical Center	Cherry Jones (online)		
Grady Memorial Hospital	Fran Lewis		
Gwinnett Medical Center	Gina Solomon	Mary Lou Dennis	
Hamilton Medical Center	Kim Brown		
John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital	Kelli Vaughn		
Medical Center of Central Georgia	Debra Kitchens (online)	Inez Jordon (online)	
The Medical Center - Columbus	Lauren Kubik	Imogene Willis	
Medical College of Georgia			
Memorial Health University Med Ctr	Silla Sumerlin		
Morgan Memorial Hospital	Robyn Vassy	Lauren Burrell	
North Fulton Regional Hospital	Jim Sargent		
Taylor Regional Hospital	Lynn Grant (online)	Carlee Payne	
Walton Regional Medical Center	Bambi Bruce		
Guest Facility:			
Barrow Regional Medical Center	Yvonne Weed		
Chatuge Regional Hospital	Carolyn Cotton Bayles		
Emanuel Hospital	Gail Thornton		
Medical College of Georgia Nursing	Beth NeSmith		

Trauma Associates of Georgia (TAG)	<p>Rochella announced TAG will continue holding TNCC & ENPC Courses to support trauma education in Georgia, especially in the areas of need. There will be two (2) TNCC courses this year and one (1) ENPC course held in the fall.</p> <p>Regina and Debra have an RTCC course scheduled for April 23, 2009 which TAG may be helping to fund in the future.</p> <p>New positions for 2010-2012, to start in July, will be discussed at the May 2010 meeting. Greg Periera has been nominated as the new counsel chair of GCTE and suggestions were made for a vice chair. New TAG positions open are for chair and vice chair. Bambi Bruce was nominated for chair and Jim Sargent will remain as the treasurer. Any interested parties who are willing to commit for two (2) years are to e-mail Kelli Vaughn. The Registry Chair position held by Karen Johnson will also be open; any interested parties should e-mail Karen.</p>
Registry	
	See attached
DI Report Writer	
	<p>DI is still supporting Foxfire but is soon to stop. Marie googled Microsoft and there is no definite date to stop support as of yet. Marie has DI Report Writer on the Central site and likes it. She and Renee' attended an online course. Greg volunteered use of CHOA's computer lab if the group decides to buy Report Writer since DI will provide a limited educational support program.</p> <p>Fran will e-mail DI with a list of questions concerning this program and obtain a group quote for annual maintenance fees. More to follow.</p>
Broselow System	
	Contract gone to budget and is in process.
Available Trauma Grants	
	There was some confusion concerning the different grants available to the trauma centers. Kelli presented a spreadsheet detailing the different grants and who/what facilities were eligible for them. See attached State Grant Summary 2010
Report from State Office of EMS	
	Renee' requested the 5111 reports be sent to her so she can send them in together.

	<p>Invoices and reports should be dated for period covered. Send invoice to DCH and “copy” to Renee/Marie. Be sure to mark “copy” on one to Renee/Marie.</p> <p>There is a new Trauma Center start up grant for new centers to include Athens Regional Medical Center and Walton Regional Medical Center. The grant can be accessed from the website.</p> <p>Division of Emergency Preparedness and Response has grant money to pay for physicians to attend ATLS or for hospitals to teach the ATLS course. Interested parties are to contact Dhood S. Samba @ the GA DCH Training Section</p> <p>The State is still looking for a Trauma Epidemiology Physician. This person will work on a published document for trauma in Georgia.</p> <p>DCH office funding has not cut positions yet although state wide positions still taking furlough days.</p>
Facility Round Table	
CHOA	<p>Julie: Initial course on ATCH on August 26 & 27. CHOA has an EMS outreach program starting. EMS needs 8 hours of pediatric education / year. CHOA will be starting classes that can be taped to put on a website and have a test that can be submitted. Regina also suggested teaching the triage criteria that is available on the DCD website.</p>
	<p>Liz: Trauma Nurse Specialist class on July 12-16, 2010 that is opened to everyone such as PT, RT, etc.</p>
Gwinnett	<p>Gina: GMC will be hosting an ADLS course on April 14th & 15th 2010. Their trauma office will be moving to a new suite.</p>
Barrow	<p>Yvonne: Nothing to report</p>
Walton	<p>Bambi: Walton is back down to 2 trauma surgeons; administration is actively recruiting another surgeon. There have been no days without coverage.</p>
Athens	<p>Kathy: has new orthopedic surgeon</p>
Morgan	<p>Robyn: nothing to report</p>
Columbus	<p>Lauren: addition for ED, there will be a crane positioned near to helipad for a few months, please let flight crew know.</p>
Grady	<p>Fran: Electronic medical record (EMR) starts in ED today and the entire hospital will be on EMR by October of this year. 2009 total trauma patients was about the same as 2008. Dr. Feliciano will be retiring this year. There are five Grady staff who will be attending STN.</p>
MCCG	<p>Debra: The new landing zone opened and is operating. MCCG has ATLS/ATCN this weekend.</p>

Floyd	Cherry: Floyd hired a new ED director last Monday and hired a trauma registrar.
Memorial	Cilla: thanked MaryLou for assistance in revamping trauma department, their volumes have been up. Public relations to outlying hospitals is continuing. There are four difference air ambulance companies available.
Atlanta Medical	Rochella: AMC is proceeding with Level I Trauma designation. The trauma volumes have increased slightly from the year before. The first trauma nurse specialist class is completed and the goal is to do a few courses every year. The trauma symposium is on April 24, 2010.
Archbold	Kelli: Had first ATLS course with 13 participants
N. Fulton	Jim: they have officially announce Dr. Bradley has the Trauma Medical Director. N. Fulton now has two thoracic surgeons
Hiwassee	Carolyn: New ED still in progress
MCG	Regina: ED is adding 8 beds to have a total of 40. They have had to re-route traffic for the construction and they are redoing the ambulance ramp to hold 6 ambulances. MCG has 2 Trauma CC fellows, will have 2 full time registrars soon and are conducting interviews for new trauma surgeons.
Meeting	Next meeting will be May 19, 2010. TBA

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Trauma Registrar Sub-Committee
 Agenda/Minutes

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 1000-1100

Welcome to the Skyland State Office in Atlanta		<p>Attended: Karen J, MaryLou D, Imogene W, Lauren B, Michelle W, Kim B, Marie P</p> <p>Conf Call-In: Inez J, Senesta C, Julia H, Gretchen G, Cherie D, Melissa B, Lynn G</p>
Approval of Minutes	All	Please review Minutes included with this transmission and draft. No modifications noted.
Using the Search of Active Record Status	Marie	<p>Active records can easily be found using the NTRACS main menu Record Manager/Search.</p> <p><i>Find the Record Status by selecting either Active or Closed in the drop down box. Search for Active records status to be sure they are appropriately documented as Ready to Send = No. After doing the Check, if Ready to Send is No, select No do not mark to close (leave active). If Ready to Send is Yes, select Yes mark to close.</i></p> <p><i>Marie will contact each of us via phone to reconcile our records counts as needed.</i></p>
DI RW	All	Will be discussed in the big meeting.

		<p><i>Most hospitals are interested in RW and want to know if there is a discount for the group to purchase and receive training. Group would like training in one location, possibly classroom at CHOA Office Park, at one time. Fran will call DI to discuss details.</i></p>
Trauma List Serve FYI Only	All	<p>The American Trauma Society (ATS) is pleased to announce the roll out of the ATS Trauma Register Distance Learning program. This program can be ordered on-line at www.amtrauma.org<http://www.amtrauma.org/>.</p> <p>ATS members can purchase this program for \$599 each and non-members can purchase it for \$699 each. ATS is offering a bulk rate pricing for ATS members only for purchases of 10 or more for the rate of \$499. All 10 persons participating in the bulk rate must be ATS members.</p>
Question from Savannah	Mary Lou	<p>On the ED Assessment 1 screen, if pt is DA (direct admit) should you look for ETOH and Hematocrit info on the referring hospital documentation since they will not go thru the ED?</p> <p><i>Yes, if you can find this info on the RH info, use it.</i></p> <p>On ED Assess 2 for a DA what should the ED Dispo be?</p> <p><i>Do not leave blank as previously said, use either actual location the pt is sent or N/A or ?Unk selection.</i></p> <p>For an ER to OR then d/c directly to home, since there</p>

		<p>is no Home selection, what is used?</p> <p><i>We will use N/A or ?Unk</i></p>
2010 Data Dictionary Changes in Hosp Dispo screen	Mary Lou	<p><i>1 Discharged/Transferred to a short-term general hospital for inpatient care</i></p> <p><i>EMS transport is no longer required</i></p> <p><i>2 Discharged/Transferred to an Intermediate Care Facility (ICF)</i></p> <p><i>Long-term Facility is removed, only in #9</i></p>
First 24 hr Blood	?	<p>If blood is given at Referring Hospital before Transfer, should we use their blood amount? What if pt receives blood at Ref Hosp and our ED?</p> <p><i>Yes, if documented that blood was given in the first 24 hours, use Ref Hosp info. If blood was also given at your ED, use both.</i></p>
Base Deficit		<p>Where is this info found?</p> <p><i>Typically done in the ED in pts w/head injuries and on vent, found in ED documentation, Respiratory Therapy reports ABG</i></p> <p><i>Some feel Lactic Acid is a better choice and have made a Custom Data Point to collect this info.</i></p>
DI Patch/Update	Mary Lou	<p><i>DI will be sending out a new patch that must be applied before the next download. If Hospital cannot do the patch, DI will take care of it, but you must ask them.</i></p>
Transfers s/injury	?	<p>Do we include transferred pt if there is no injury?</p>

		<i>No, this pt does not meet criteria for registry if they do not have an injury that falls within the ICD9 range of 800.00 – 959.9 with exclusions 905-909, 910-924, and 930-939. As discussed before, if pt has isolated seat belt sign (belly contusion) without known internal injury the generic code can be used, i.e., 959.12/510402.1 in order to get the pt into the registry and in case they come back for related injury.</i>
Deleted Records	Karen	DI stated the deletion of a record for any reason will not delete same record from the NTDB database which is separate within NTRACS, unless you choose to reuse the registry number. Karen will send process for deleting these records.
State Report	Marie	<i>Marie has run Trauma reports for each registry and will plan meeting with each registrar to discuss findings as they relate to the Ready to Send records Active vs Closed status. All RTS No records should be Active, all RTS Yes records should be Closed. Additional reports handed out were those regarding Monthly Reporting, Attendance and Contract information.</i>
Other: Position Rotation	Karen	If anyone is interested in co-chairing the Registry Sub-Committee Mtg for the next 2 years, please send me your names. We will have 2 co-chairs and volunteers will be accepted.
Next Meeting		May 20, 2010 Macon

Addendum: State Grant Summary 2010

Contract Name	Eligible centers	Time Period	Deliverables
Annual money for Registry support	All designated trauma centers	July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010	Quarterly reports Quarterly registry downloads to State Office Annual report 75% attendance @ GCTE mtgs
Trauma Capital grants	Levels 1 and 2	April 1, 2009 - March 31, 2010	Monthly reports Form 5111, if applicable
Uncomp care & Readiness costs, incl Performance Based Payments	All designated trauma centers		Readiness: Maintain designation Meet criteria of ACS 25% of funds to MDs Performance Based Payments: Participation in readiness costs webinar Participation in readiness costs summit Registry data submission to State Office Uncompensated care: Submission of financial data upon request to Bishop & Associates 25% of money allocated to physician claims Monthly reports
New Trauma Center start up grants	Newly designated centers or those with intent to start - must have paperwork of intent		