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Trauma Systems Committee
Meeting Minutes
02/15/2022

Topic 1: TTCF / DSHS Updates

Discussion: Terri Rowden (TR) reported on the recent State meetings and provided the following information:

- Aaron Rogers is your TETAF contact for all survey related communication. arogers@tetaf.org
- The State has hired a replacement for Mike Murray's position. No contact information yet.
- Uncompensated Trauma Care application will be sent out in the next month or two.
- TTCF will be hosting a TTDEC course in April. Details to follow and will be available on TTCF website. ttcf.org
- GETAC meetings are virtual at this time. Rule revisions are still in progress.

Action: No action required; information and discussion only.

Topic 2: Recent / upcoming surveys

Discussion:

- UTH Henderson had survey in November. Surveyor requested CME for all inpatient staff including hospitalists.
- UTH Jacksonville has survey 02/20/2022
- Surveyors now have to complete "Level of Harm" and "Levels of Review" on their record review form. Each level of review should be dated.
- Jo Ann Peters (JP) reported Level of Harm and Levels of Review have been added to the regional registry PI page for those who use them. If paper form is utilized the levels should be added with signature and dates supplied.

Action: Those who have developed documents to include Levels of Review and Level of Harm should forward to Terri or Jo or direct to the entire group.

Topic 3: Coding Tip for Burns.

Discussion: If not coded correctly burn injuries will not have an ISS. Kim Bryan (KB) provided the correct method for coding burns which is to code the percentage of total body surface area burned on the AIS side. This will provide an ISS score. The specific body region burned is documented on the ICD 10 side for completeness.

Action: Anyone with coding questions to submit to JP or TR and the registrars will answer at the next meeting.

Topic 4: DSHS RAC Self-Assessment Scoring Tool

Discussion: JP and TR presented the RAC tool to the group.

- JP reported Trauma meets the minimum score of "3" in all categories. Sheryl Coffee (SC) stated that Trauma most likely exceeds that score.
- Options for additional epidemiological data sources were explored to enhance the regional trauma registry. These included TXDOT, city and county sources, UT Tyler School of Public Health and local DSHS.
- SC reported that the Injury Prevention Committee has struggled. Trauma injury prevention will be managed under Trauma Systems Committee. TR remarked that primary mechanism of injury in RAC remains same level falls. JP remarked that all prevention activities need to be documented by date, title of activity and pictures / flyers when possible.

Action:

- JP will get with Dr. Alan Cook, trauma research for UTHSC Tyler to pursue possible geographical mapping for major injuries.
- Michele Marroquin (MM) will get with TXDOT and ask for recent report provided to PAET. After review JP will consult with Dr. Norwood regarding desired data from TXDOT.
- SC will contact her sources to see what the City of Tyler offers.
- An injury prevention sub-committee will be established to spearhead activities.

Topic 5: Regional Statistics

Discussion: JP presented a PowerPoint with 2021 that included mortality, transfer into RAC, transfer out of RAC, proposed RAC quality indicators and data opportunities for improvement (OFI). Presentation attached.

- Possible PI indicators suggested were drill down on reason for out of RAC transfers and capturing data on transfer in / discharge from ED. The transfer in / discharge from ED was discussed at GETAC Trauma Systems meetings as a possible State data project.

Action: Members to submit any proposed RAC PI indicators to JP or TR. Decision will be made at next meeting. Additionally if there is additional data that either the RAC staff or committee members would like presented please forward to JP or TR.

Topic 6: Pediatric Readiness

Discussion: Pediatric Readiness will be a future / soon to come requirement as part of trauma center criteria. Dwain Coats (DC) is actively involved with this process and will be undergoing a review.

Action: DC to provide an ongoing Pediatric Readiness segment at future meetings and will forward a WebEx link for discussion/education on the project.

Topic 7: Case Presentation – this was deferred but anyone with a difficult or interesting case they would like assistance with or just to share should send to JP or TR.

Topic 8: Frequency of future meetings

Discussion: The committee agreed that future meetings would be held bi-monthly. The meetings may be in conjunction with General Assembly meetings when in-person meetings resume or may continue to be at a separate time. Decision was made to continue the meetings as an in-person meeting at the CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Frances Trauma Clinic with a WebEx option.

Action: TR and JP will confer and determine the next date for the April 2022 meeting. Anyone is encouraged to offer suggested days although it may be impossible to meet everyone's needs.

Respectfully submitted:

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