

Trauma Systems Committee Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2024

Call to order: 1000

A meeting of Trauma Systems was held virtually through Microsoft Teams on 11/6/2024.
(Sign in Sheet attached to minutes.)

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Purpose of Meeting: 2025 Committee Goals.

1. DSHS Proposed Rules

The latest rules are currently within a review period and if all else goes according to plan that will be adopted September 1 of 2025. Major driver for rules are to align with ACS standards. Informed members that the latest level IV ACS standards are through the 2014 resources manual; the link and page numbers were provided to members. There may be more updates once GETAC has closed their meeting happening at the end of this month.

2. 2025 Committee Goals

Proposed dates for RAC-G general assembly and GETAC 2025 dates were provided to committee members. Discussions were held on the occurrences for 2025 trauma system committee meetings. Members felt that meeting quarterly, with the understanding that additional meetings may be called on a per diem basis, was appropriate. Committee co-chair pointed out concerns for decreasing participation and decreased opportunities for essential members to attend. Discussion was held on the generic wording for member participation, and committee co-chair stressed the importance of communicating with essential members on expectations for attending general assembly and/or trauma system meetings. Members then moved to determine 2025 committee goals. They were informed that the 2024 committee goal of completing the RAC Self-Assessment Scoring Tool was completed on August 2024. The committee was presented with the state's PI plan and their top 5 measures that the state intends to monitor in the upcoming year. The committee agreed to align with the state's measure on time to transport. Discussions were held on an additional measure to monitor for our specific region, and members agreed on monitoring patient encounters that are transferred out of our RAC. The committee co-chair requested that the RAC president query with the new registry vendor on methods to monitor trends within the region to help better focus our measure efforts. Members were informed that the intent would be to bring these measures to the trauma systems committee and general assembly to present for general knowledge. Internally, the trauma systems committee would determine if any encounter may need further review for process improvement on a regional basis, and therefore the need of a RAC "ad hoc" PI committee to be developed was discussed. The RAC president spoke on past proceedings with a RAC PI committee and felt this would be a positive endeavor to put in place with all the pertinent people. The committee co-chair spoke on the importance of creating a ticket system within the RAC so committees could easily submit encounters to be considered for this "ad hoc" PI committee.

3. Open Discussion: Informed members of need to discuss committee chair position as current co-chairs will be up for elections in May 2025.

4. Announcements: Next RAC-G Trauma Systems Committee meeting will be on January 28th following general assembly with a hybrid option.

Adjournment: 1048

Secretary must sign Minutes
Secretary

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Date