RAC G Trauma Systems Meeting Minutes
January 23, 2024

Call to order 1200

A meeting of RAC G Trauma Systems Committee was held at UT Health North Campus Room H105 on Tuesday, January 23, 2024.

Sign in Sheet submitted with minutes in separate file.

Minutes from the November meeting were approved:
      Motion to Approve: Lauren Ellis
      Second: Joannie Wainscott

Purpose of Meeting: RAC Self-Assessment Scoring Tool

1.   Regional Trauma Systems Plan: The committee discussed the remaining outstanding revisions (prehospital and injury prevention) within the regional trauma plan. The co-chair informed the committee that the prehospital was submitted to the prehospital committee for review and approval, and they would check the status of that progress and inform the committee at the next meeting. The chair of the newly formed injury prevention committee was in attendance, and informed the committee that the injury prevention section of the regional trauma plan is on their agenda for their first meeting next month.

2.   DSHS Proposed Rules Update: The committee was informed that public comment surrounding the DSHS proposed trauma rules is now open, and will remaining open until 2/19/24. The committee chair confirmed with all in attendance that they received the email notification and understood how they can place their suggestions/recommendations with the state regarding the new rules. All members confirmed the receipt and the process of completion.

3.   Trauma Registry Vendor Comparison: Following the November committee meeting, the committee and RAC staff were given the opportunity to attend three registry demonstrations. The co-chair for the trauma system committee, created a Microsoft form and supplied to committee members to given their ratings for each registry software. The results were shared with the committee members, as well as cost for each system; of note the cost was for UT Health system facilities, but gave a general idea for the committee members. The committee understands that our current registry software will be phased out and become no longer available in the near future. Members voiced their concern with not knowing the exact timeline for when this would occur. The committee co-chair

assured members that action would be taken and a plan would be put in place prior to completely losing our registry software. In reviewing the results and price comparison, the committee members felt that a proposal for RAC support on purchasing a regional software package would be the best initial approach. Ensuring that we have a regional software would streamline how the RAC receives data from each facility. The committee co-chair informed the members that they would present this information to the RAC staff and financial committee to start the process and report back.

4. RAC Self-Assessment Scoring Tool: The committee members were also supplied with a Microsoft form to submit their scoring for the pre-determined trauma questions from the November meeting. The results of that form were presented and discussed with members. Of the 18 questions reviewed, 5 questions posed results sub-optimal. The committee members felt like these 5 questions would be best discussed and SMART goals developed over the next couple of trauma systems committee meetings. The co-chair agreed and informed the members to take the next couple of days to review the 5 questions and be ready to dig into planning goals for at least 2 of the questions next meeting.

5. Open Discussion:

    •   The RAC staff would like feedback on how to improve the data for their PI project. The committee members agreed that bringing the Rural TOPIC course to our region would be beneficial. Of note: 80% of the members on the trauma systems committee have TOPIC.

    •   Registry Sub-committee is losing its co-chair as Pam Rowlett is leaving the UT Health system on February 1, 2024. The committee was informed that the plan for the sub-committee would be under review by the co-chairs, with more information to following, but any registry issues are welcomed to bring forth to the main trauma systems committee.

6. Announcements: Next meeting is February 21, 2024. In-person at the UT Health Pavilion is room 1, or virtually via TEAMS.

Adjournment: 1249

Secretary must sign Minutes
Secretary

MUST SHOW DATE OF MINUTES
Date
1/24/2024