

**STATE OF OHIO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD
 TRAUMA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

January 10, 2007

Chaired by: John Crow, MD

Date & Location: January 10, 2007 at Ohio Department of Transportation, Columbus, Ohio

Name	Attendance		Name	Attendance	
	Present	Absent		Present	Absent
Nancie Bechtel, RN,	X		Michael Shannon, MD	X	
John Crow, MD	X		Diane Simon, RN	X	
William Crum	X		Howard Werman, MD		X
David Cummin, MD		X	Jodi Wilson, RN	X	
Gary Englehart, CHE	X				
Todd Glass, MD	X				
Vickie Graymire, RN		X	Virginia Haller, MD*	X	
Kathy Haley, RN	X		Carol Cunningham, MD [‡]		X
Jay Johannigman, MD		X	Jon Groner, MD*	X	
Jason Kinley, EMT-P	X		F. Barry Knotts, MD*		X
Brian Kuntz, EMT-P	X				
Michael Mackan, MD		X			
Cliff Mason, EMT-P		X	Mike Glenn, RN [‡]	X	
Sidney Miller, MD		X	Heather Reed [‡]		X
Greg Nemunaitis, MD	X		Tim Erskine, EMT-P [‡]		X
Jennifer Piccione, RN		X	Sue Morris [‡]		X
David Pohlman, EMT-P		X	* = Non-Voting Committee member [‡] = Non-Voting ODPS/DEMS Staff		
Jane Riebe	X				

Others in Attendance:

An audience sign-in sheet is on file in the Division of EMS office.

CALL TO ORDER:

Welcome and Introductions - Dr. Crow called the meeting to order at 10:15 am. A quorum is present at the meeting. Introductions were made among the committee members and the guests present. New committee members Todd Glass, MD (pediatric emergency medicine), Diane Simon, RN (trauma center administrator) and Jodi Wilson, RN (hospital administrator) were welcomed.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Approve the November 2006 meeting minutes, made by Shannon with a second by Haley.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: all in favor, no against, no abstention. **Motion approved**

Review of January 10, 2007 Agenda

The committee members reviewed the agenda. No additions or changes were offered

LIAISON REPORTS

ODPS Legislative Update – Mike Glenn

Mike Glenn updated the committee on the Model Trauma Systems Plan benchmark retreat. Retreat planning is underway. Members were asked to tentatively hold dates in September. The focus of the retreat will be development of the MTSP benchmarks and the future of the Trauma Committee.

EMS Medical Director Report - Dr. Cunningham reported that the RPAB member application is now online. Any suggestions for changes to the RPAB website should be directed to the Division staff.

The EMS Board now has the ability to reconfigure the regions and may consider doing this.

Ohio Department of Health – Dr. Haller reported that Dr. Alvin Jackson, a primary care physician from Fremont, has been appointed the new Director of the Ohio Department of Health.

Reports from trauma centers to the Director of Health on emergency preparedness are due March 1, 2007.

Two staff members from ODH (epidemiologists) will join the new Research and Centers of Excellence committees.

Akron General Hospital received a contract for a school AED program.

EMS Board – Dr. Groner reported that the EMS Board discussed the Trauma Committee's concerns about helicopter shopping. They will be sharing these concerns with Ohio chapters of ENA, ACEP and ACS.

SUBCOMMITTEE & WORK GROUP REPORTS.

Research and Analysis – Mr. Glenn reported that the NHTSA 408 funds have been received by ODPS. The process to hire a contract programmer has been started.

Committee member discussion regarding the use of ICDMAP-90 mapping software. The program is becoming obsolete due to changes in ICD-9 and AIS codes.

MOTION: In recognition that ICDMAP-90 is obsolete, the Office of Research and Analysis should investigate other options to ICDMAP-90 for assigning severity scores. Moved by Riebe, seconded by Bechtel.

VOTE: all in favor, none against, no abstention. **Motion approved**

Geriatric Triage Criteria – Chairperson for the geriatric workgroup, Dr. Werman, submitted a summary report of their analysis. Trauma committee members reviewed the document and recommended additional statistical analysis of the data. Generally the summary was viewed favorably but requires more intense analysis of the data. Until this data is provided the Committee cannot make any recommendations to the EMS Board. There was discussion that Do Not Resuscitate orders often exist for geriatric patients, therefore there is a need to track such in the Trauma Registry. It was reported that EMS does not / will not evaluate DNR orders at the scene so this cannot be a consistent factor in prehospital triage.

Transfer Times Work Group – Kathy Haley updated the committee on the status of the workgroup. She noted that a literature search did not find evidence to support the two-hour time frame. The workgroup summary was submitted to the Board in November and then forwarded to the grant committee who facilitated integration of the workgroup recommendations in the 2007 EMS grant/research application (priority 2).

Mike Glenn Resignation – Mike Glenn announced his resignation. His was formally acknowledged by various committee members for his long term contribution to trauma care in the state of Ohio, and his valued expertise in the development of a trauma system.

OLD BUSINESS

Vacant Committee Seats – There are currently two vacant seats on this Committee, one for an orthopaedic surgeon and one for an oral maxillofacial surgeon. Interested parties should apply through their respective nominating organizations. It was noted that due to the recent change in administration, it may take longer than normal to approve nominees.

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Trauma System Quarterly Reports – Tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Next meeting March 14, 2007 Location ODOT conf room B

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Crow