

STATE OF OHIO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD

TRAUMA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES *Final*

November 7, 2007

Chaired by: John Crow, MD

Date & Location: November 7, 2007 at Ohio Department of Public Safety, Columbus, Ohio

Name	Attendance		Name	Attendance	
	Present	Absent		Present	Absent
Nancie Bechtel, RN,		X	Diane Simon, RN	X	
John Crow, MD	X		Howard Werman, MD	X	
William Crum	X		Richard Ziegler, DDS	X	
David Cummin, MD		X			
Gary Englehart, FACHE	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				
Cliff Mason, EMT-P	X				
Sidney Miller, MD	X				
Greg Nemunaitis, MD	X		Heather Reed-Frient [‡]		X
Jennifer Piccione, RN	X		Tim Erskine, EMT-P [‡]	X	
David Pohlman, EMT-P	X		Sue Morris [‡]	X	
Jane Riebe		X	* = Non-Voting Committee member		
Michael Shannon, MD	X		‡ = Non-Voting ODPS/DEMS Staff		

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 10:18 am. A quorum is present at the meeting. Introductions were made among the committee members and the guests present.

The Committee was updated on the status of vacant seats (Emergency Medicine, non-trauma hospital administrator). The deadline for submission of nominees is November 15.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Approve the September 2007 meeting minutes. Moved by Shannon, second by Crum.

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

LIAISON REPORTS

ODPS Legislative Update – Mr. Erskine reported that there was no new legislation being considered that was of interest to the Committee and no movement on previously described legislation.

EMS Medical Director Report - Dr. Cunningham reported that the RPAB Chairman's meeting and the All-Member meeting would be held on November 15 at ODPS. She shared the draft geriatric triage document with the RPAB chairs and they are eager to implement them. Dr. Cunningham also reported that this was also shared with the Medical Directors' Council of the National Association of State EMS Officials and they are watching Ohio's implementation carefully.

Dr. Miller arrived at 1032

Ohio Department of Health – Dr. Haller reported that ODH is working on resource allocation in disasters with a focus on pediatrics.

EMS Board – Dr. Groner reported that the Board is currently rewriting a lot of rules pertaining to education and the two data committees. The Tactical EMS subcommittee is being rebuilt. EMS Executive Director Rich Rucker has been appointed to the National Committee on Ambulance Safety.

SUBCOMMITTEE & WORK GROUP REPORTS

Trauma Registry Advisory Subcommittee

Unique Patient Identifier – The EMS Board approved the unique identifier proposal for trauma patient tracking through the data systems. The issue was referred back to the Committee for design and implementation. Dr. Crow assigned the task to TRAS. Dr. Knotts noted that there are several issues to consider when using the EMS run number and that a retreat would need to be held to identify barriers and inform stakeholders.

Geriatric Trauma Task Force

Dr. Werman presented the Committee with the final draft of the Geriatric Trauma Triage report (as amended since last meeting).

MOTION: Accept the Geriatric trauma Triage Report and pass it up to the EMS Board. Moved by Miller, second by Shannon.

VOTE: All in favor, none opposed, no abstentions. **Motion approved.**

Discussion was held that the report be published. Dr. Haller states there is an institutional review board at ODH for review of the article prior to publication. Mr. Erskine stated that the results of the Task Force's work will be widely disseminated to the media and the legislature.

OLD BUSINESS

New Subcommittees – The Committee was updated on revised assignments for the following subcommittees (chair in parenthesis): quarterly system report (Werman), over/under triage (Bechtel), unique identifier (Knotts), and model trauma systems plan (Haley/Graymire/Haller).

Model Trauma System Planning and Evaluation – The results of the survey on optimum dates for the MTSPE retreat are in. The 2nd week of February had the widest availability on the Tuesday/Wednesday. The Committee was asked to “do their homework” and review the MTSPE document. Part of the January meeting will be used for retreat preparation.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

Meeting adjourned by Dr. Crow at 11:42.

Next meeting January 9, 2008, 10am, ODOT conference room G-A.