NORTHCENTRAL REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF May 21, 2015; 9:00 am

North Central Technical College - Merrill, WI

<u>Members Present</u>: Michelle Armstrong, Dana Baumgartner, Kelly Bechel, Jenny Blenker, Doug Duchac, Lisa Ebert, Joe Gemza, Dr. Bruce Gordon, Jason Keffeler, Robert Kirkley, Ken Marg, Nancy Martin, Terry Nichols, Kathy Palm, April Pierzchalski, Mark Schroeder, Toni Smith, Sara Steen, Carmen Viegut, Linda Vollmar, Tom Waydick, Kim Wiesman, Debra Witman

Chairperson: Mark Dascalos

NCRTAC Coordinator/ Recorder: Michael Fraley

Introduction and Welcome	Mark Dascalos welcomed attendees.
March Meeting Minutes	Motion by Palm to approve the Mar 19, 2015 meeting minutes as posted. Second by Duchac. Unanimously approved
Annual Meeting Business	Executive Council Elections No nominations from the floor. Motion by Gordon to close nominations and unanimously elect Steen, Finke, Perrin and Schroeder. Second by Palm. Unanimously approved
	Fiscal report NCRTAC has spent \$37,390.68 and has \$12,520.32 remaining.
RTAC Coordinator Report	One Trauma Topics class was held in Greenwood in April.
	Michael has been attending county fire chief association meetings to talk about RTAC and HCC. Has done 5 of 12 so far.
State Office/ STAC	A request for applications has been released for the state EMS/ Trauma medical director position.
	The TOPIC course will be June 11.
	Data Committee Ben Eithum from UW is the new chair. Reviewing registry data and cleaning it up. Looking at processes to monitor data as it comes in and to assure that hospitals are submitting on schedule. The version 5 update is still TBA. A pilot for a hospital hub from Image Trend is pending. Will make access to EMS PCRs easier.
	<u>Trauma Program Managers</u> Discussed document sharing, loop closure with EMS and documentation of when physicians did PI follow up. Looked at websites with resources: TPIQ (FACS.org), EAST.org, and pediatrictraumasociety.org
	STAC Review of the Orange Book has begun. A committee is assessing the differences and impact on hospitals. There will be at least a year notice before any changes are implemented.

	
	There was discussion and debate about changing registry inclusion criteria to include isolated hip fractures. No change has been made at this point.
	PI Committee is working on some tools to help facilities with ED LOS.
	STAC clarified that in the trauma field triage guidelines, level I and II trauma centers are clinically equivalent.
	The next meetings will be June 2 & 3 in the Wi Dells.
Health Care Coalitions	Medical advisors have been interviewed. Dr. Michael Clark was offered and accepted the Region 2 positon. Interviews for Region 2 RTAC Coordinator and HCC Coordinator will be May 27.
	The NCWHCC (Reg 2) transition team will stay on as the HCC Board for at least the first 6 months as bylaws and other transition work continues.
Committee Reports	Injury Prevention Received 10 requests for life jacket stations. Four (Clark, Iron, Wood & Portage) have land-owner approval and will be funded and built this year. Will review funding for others next year.
	Process Improvement Shared ED Length of Stay & Backboard padding data.
	Reviewing mild closed head injury education materials. Sara Steen is the new Chair.
	Definitive Care Reviewed termination of resuscitation papers and protocols and felt there was not a need to do our own.
	Reviewing spinal immobilization information to update interfacility position statement and possibly develop one for prehospital.
	Terry Nichols is the new Chair.
	Out of Hospital Reviewing Radio/ Hand-off report formats
	Would like to do a follow up on any uses of the tourniquets distributed.
Old business	None
New business	Michael presented the 2015-2016 budget as approved by the Executive Council.
	NCRTAC General membership meeting dates No July meeting Sept 24 – NTC Wausau Dec 3 – Ministry Saint Clare's Hospital
	We will be opening the Bylaws after the HCC formation is completed. Send any change recommendations to Michael.
Announcements/ Training	Aspirus EMS Week Celebration – May 28

Adjournment	Group adjourned to committee meetings and then a tour of the campus.

Next Meeting: Northcentral Technical College – Health Science Center (Wausau) Thursday, Sept 24, 2015 9:00 am – Noon