

**NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES of September 16, 2021; 9:00 am**
Tele/videoconference

Members Present: Michelle Armstrong, Steve Bakos, Kelly Bechel, Heather Berg, Jenny Blenker, Gina Brandl, Marianne Brault, Alyssa Busse, Dr. Michael Clark, Cathy Connor, Nicole Dekan, Jeff Freese, Lori Goff, Jacquelin Hernandez, Del Horn, Jason Keffeler, Christopher Keller, Scott Langa, Brenda Meyer, Brenda Maier, Ken Marg, Kathy Palm, Jennifer Podeweltz, Penelope Radlinger, Jodi Rohaley, Mark Schroeder, Corey Smith, Amanda Tabin, Carmen Viegut, Linda Vollmar, Daniel Wall, Shirley Wiesman

Chairperson: Sara Steen/Gina Brandl

NCRTAC Coordinator/ Recorder: Michael Fraley

Introduction and Welcome	Sara Steen welcomed attendees.
July Meeting Minutes	Motion by Wall to approve the July 15, 2021 meeting minutes as posted. Second by Marg. Unanimously approved.
Correspondence	Dr. Gorden emailed to say that he is continuing to have medical issues that limit his ability to participate. He tenders his resignation and thanks everyone for the opportunity to work with the NCRTAC over the years.
HERC Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Busy again with COVID response. Has restarted the weekly information briefing for partners and more frequent meetings with members and the Board. • Held a strategic planning meeting Wednesday. • Hosting a recovery workshop on October 27 • Hired an accountant to help with fiscal agent work
State Trauma/ STAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Gina assumed Chair duties at this point) • Trauma Registry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Katie is working on a “Assistance document” for running and reading reports. Also working on updating the list of all the reports that are available ○ Educational webinars and documents are still available on the DHS Trauma website • DHS 118 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In effect. ○ Lots of resources available on the DHS Trauma website ○ Margaret feels she is caught up on answering questions about 118 and the website is up to date. If you still have questions or feel you were waiting on her to respond about something please contact her again. • STAC approved adding an Injury Prevention Committee • STAC approved the regional PI template document • Margaret will be using the GOV-D mailing system to send out STAC and other trauma system mailings. You can sign up for it here: https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WIDHS/subscriber/new?topic_id=WIDHS_622

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The state is aware of the upcoming hospital name changes in our area. The various EMS and trauma listings, registries and databases will be updated once the official change is made through DQA.
State EMS Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medicare reimbursement rates are up slightly for EMS FAP applications are open DHS 110 is effective October 1 Community Paramedic Educational Curriculum and Credentialing Status: Distributed for public feedback PAC is developing a document to address current issues with ketamine Monitoring the National Registry pass rate. WI is comparable to the national average. RFP out to develop a field version of the state protocol document Working on funds to pay for an ambulance inspector when DHS becomes responsible for the medical aspect. EMS for Children has pediatric comfort kits available
RTAC Coordinator Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working to attend county EMS meetings again. Reviewed budget and expenses. \$29,411.33 budgeted. \$1,432.96 spent. If you are not getting the NCRAC newsletter please notify Michael Michael is presenting a pelvic trauma lecture at the Wisconsin EMS Association Conference Anonymous feedback about Michael's performance can be sent to DHS via the following link: https://www.surveymzmo.com/s3/5128959/HERC-RTAC-Interaction-Survey-F-02540-09-2019
Process improvement committee	<p>Group discussed ED LOS information. During a past meeting it was asked that we try to get more information about the time that the transfer decision is made or transport resources are requested. This would be difficult to extrapolate from the Level II trauma center records or from the transfer service dispatch data.</p> <p>Michael will check with Katie about times captured in the state registry.</p> <p>Ideally we would like the following times identified:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrival at outside facility First call for transfer Accept time EMS dispatch EMS arrival at outside ED <p>Michael will check to see if the regional aggregate data can identify MOI or other factors that may determine the patient's presentation at the referring facility (i.e. reasons the patient did not appear serious)</p>
Definitive Care Committee	No meeting. Recommendation to have any definitive care issues reviewed by the PI Committee. Will remove the committee report from the agenda unless the committee is re-established.
Out of Hospital Committee	No meeting. With Dr. Gordon's resignation, Dr. Clark agreed to serve as a Chair and help identify a project for the committee.
Injury Prevention Committee	Collaborating with Aspirus, MCHS, ADRC-CW and ADRC-Portage Co to offer a series of fall prevention webinars in October. The flier with complete details is available at https://bit.ly/2XCyb8H

	<p>Falls Free Wisconsin is offering two webinars about fall prevention resources. Find more here: https://bit.ly/3kgK6Si</p> <p>The Wisconsin Child Passenger Safety Advisory Board has developed a card that can be given to parents with information about using a car seat after a crash. The cards are free and can be ordered here: https://www.safekidswi.org/WI-Car-Seat-Program/Technician-Tools-and-Support/Child-Passenger-Safety-Resources--Materials/Child-Passenger-Safety-Resources--Materials</p> <p>The NCRTAC will also order some for distribution to EMS.</p> <p>MCHS is partnering with a few other organizations to offer Agriculture Rescue Training (A.R.T.) October 22 and 23. Click here for full details: https://www.marshfieldresearch.org/ART?fbclid=IwAR1n6pFgR68Ai_4WnX-vyN-FCKvi2MCAQC5bWTzTRaZnEZIfhhVxAMQ7HrE</p> <p>MCHS used the NCRTAC project grant to offer ATV safety courses in Oneida County. They went well and are looking for additional sites to host.</p>
Conference Planning Committee	Michael has been looking for new venues. Group discussed options in the Wausau area. Group agreed that we will likely see a good in-person turn-out.
Regional Trauma Plan	<p>Group reviewed assessment items from Regional Trauma Plan and discussed possible action items.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will set up an online meeting for trauma medical directors and EMS medical directors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Possible agenda items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spinal immobilization ▪ Trauma triage (under/over) ▪ ED length of stay ▪ VTE prophylaxis ▪ Ortho TQIP ▪ New DHS 118 • Look into a demo of the patient tracking system
Using TQIP for meeting agenda items	<p>Group discussed how various TQIP information and guidelines could be used for RTAC meeting agenda items.</p> <p>Will use the TQIP Ortho guidelines for a presentation and discussion at the next meeting.</p>
2022 WI Farm Technology Days	<p>The 2022 WI Farm Technology Days will be held in Loyal, July 12, 13 and 14, 2022.</p> <p>Group discussed possible display items. While the general public is not a direct audience of the NCRTAC, it is good to show them how our members are working together.</p>
Other business	None
Future Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm Technology Days • TQIP
Announcements/ Training	Group would like to see an option for committees to meet before or after the NCRTAC meeting. Michael to work with committees to set this up.

	See Calendar at NCRTAC-WI.org for more events and details
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn by Wall. Second by Horn. Unanimously approved.

Next Meeting:
Thursday, November 18, 2021
9:00 am – Noon
Marshfield Medical Center (if COVID restrictions have been lifted)