

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES of July 10, 2025; 9:00 am

Tele/videoconference

Members Present: Jamie Armbruster, Michelle Armstrong, April Bauch, Jenny Blenker, Gina Brandl, Dr. Michael Clark, Cathy Connor, Nicole Dekan, Adam Finn, Robin Geiger, Lori Goff, Andrea Hebert, Del Horn, Sue Janquart, Jason Keffeler, Chris Keller, Andrea Krantz, Ken Marg, Dr. Lucy Martinek, Adam Meshak, Rachel Milkey, Dr. Heather Rhodes, Kari Rickert, Andrienne Schroeder, Sara Steen, Amanda Tabin, Robert Towne, Linda Vollmar

Others present: Traci Zernicki and Jennifer Clark

Chairperson: Rachel Symons

NCRTAC Coordinator/ Recorder: Michael Fraley

Introduction and Welcome	Rachel Symons welcomed attendees.
ADRC Fall Prevention Presentation	Traci Zernicki and Jennifer Clark from the ADRC – Central Wisconsin presented on their fall prevention program.
May Meeting Minutes	Motion by Horn to approve the May 8, 2025 meeting minutes as posted. Second by Marg. Unanimously approved.
Correspondence	None
NCW HERC Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing out BP1 deliverables • Awaiting on contract for BP2, looks to be a funding reduction this year, still waiting for details • Completed the CMS exercise in June; 24 agencies participated
State Trauma/ STAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last STAC meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Injury prevention committee had a suicide prevention presentation ○ Data committee reviewed the PI tab ○ Trauma coordinator committee reviewed available reports and had a discussion on feedback/delays ○ PI committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discussed TQIP projects. ▪ Noted that there are not any current classification review criteria deficiency trends. ▪ Discussed how to hold tertiary review meetings ▪ Discussed navigating relationships with higher levels of care ○ STAC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No movement on opening DHS 118 ▪ Approved a strategic plan for STAC ▪ Discussed modifying the regional trauma plan template ▪ Had presentations on the Transition of Care (DMIST) video and the Fall Referral Worksheet in WARDS

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State has moved the RTACs and RTAC Coordinators to GEARS for invoice processing • DOT is currently funding the trauma registry with a grant. As part of the grant deliverables, we need to demonstrate use of the data. Michael will do a presentation as part of the September NCRTAC meeting on our data and then the RTAC will need to identify some priorities for follow up. • Lexi Bandt's position with DHS is no longer funded and she is no longer part of the office. Before leaving she shared a mortality data report which has been forwarded to the NCRTAC PI committee. • Still working on releasing the Falls and annual data reports. • As EMS is being better funded for projects through FAP, DHS has asked us to refrain from awarding RTAC project grants to services/projects that could be funded by FAP. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 75 services in NCRTAC got \$2.6M in FAP grants this year ranging from \$10,000 - \$155,000 • The Falls Free Wisconsin Coalition is looking for participation in committees. Michael shared the list of active committees. Contact Michael for more information.
State EMS Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working to get the EMS Communication plan finished and published • EMS-C has a project to encourage peds weights in kilograms • Discussion of having renewal hours include pediatric content to match National Registry in the future • Trans 309 waivers • Potential changes to the scope of practice are posted on the DHS EMS website for input. • A batch of Broselow tapes produced in 2025 have been recalled.
RTAC Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2025-2026 budget for NCRTAC will be \$29,247.00 • Reviewed the 2024-2025 expenses • The NCRTAC contract and the RTAC Coordinator contracts have been signed. •
Process improvement committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rachel presented a case • PI and TPMs will meet after the general meeting
Out of Hospital Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the fall referral worksheet • Discussed the DMIST video and promotion • Discussed MCI triage ribbon and training
Injury Prevention Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact Team Driver Program Train the trainer – July 22 • Preparing for Stop the Bleed courses for schools <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Large classes in Mosinee and Wausau
Conference Planning Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group discussed bringing Dr. McGonigal over from Regions to be our keynote. Group agreed. Michael will confirm with him • Michael asked if there were any suggestions for other changes. • Looking for ideas for a hands-on session
Other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Future Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional trauma plan

Announcements/ Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PFFW CISM course Aug 4-6 <p>See Calendar at NCRTAC-WI.org for more events and details</p>
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting:
Thursday, September 11, 2025
9:00 am – Noon
Marshfield Medical Center