

**NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES of November 9, 2023; 9:00 am**
Aspirus Wausau Hospital & Tele/videoconference

Members Present: Dan Arndorfer, Michelle Armstrong, April Bauch, Gina Brandl, Dr. Michael Clark, Cathy Connor, Anthony Ewing, Megan Foltman, Joe Gemza, Lori Goff, Andrea Hebert, Del Horn, Jason Joling, Irene Kadlec-Murray, Jason Keffeler, Christopher Keller, Dana Klug, Liz Kracht, Scott Langa, Pam Lentz, Ken Marg, Adam Meshak, David Rae, Adrienne Schroeder, Mark Schroeder, Corey Smith, Amanda Tabin, Robert Towne, Carmen Viegut, Linda Vollmar, Ty Zastava

Others present: Don Kimlicka, Jessica Blahnik, Megan Schleusner, Francisco Guerrero

Chairperson: Jenny Blenker

NCRTAC Coordinator/ Recorder: Michael Fraley

Introduction and Welcome	Jenny Blenker welcomed attendees.
Forensic Center Presentation	Jessica Blahnik gave a presentation on the development of the Marathon County Regional Forensic Center. Documents about the Center including the capital campaign are in the NCRTAC File Center: http://www.ncrtac-wi.org/file-center.html
Stop the Bleed Collaboration	Megan Schleusner and Francisco Guerrero gave a presentation on the Medical College of Wisconsin – Central Wisconsin and the Hmong & Hispanic Communication Network Project (H2N) efforts to provide Stop the Bleed classes to rural farming communities in our region. The groups have been communicating with Aspirus and MCHS Stop the Bleed trainers. Group is looking for funding for more training kits as well as hemorrhage control kits to give away. Megan and Francisco are encouraged to forward specific needs to Michael who will get them approved and supported.
September Meeting Minutes	Motion by Tabin to approve the September 14, 2023 meeting minutes as posted. Second by Horn. Unanimously approved.
Correspondence	None
NCW HERC Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distributing healthcare facility evacuation equipment • Looking at carry-over projects • Upcoming exercises <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HAZMAT Feb 14 ○ Medical Response Surge April 10 • Survey is out for those wanting some of the surplus PPE from State • Regional participation in WISCOM and EMResource drills has been low. A state committee is looking at overall use of communication platforms.
State Trauma/ STAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No STAC meeting since our last general meeting • STAC will meet December 6 – Zoom only • State is looking at supporting an AAAM AIS 15 class • A Pediatric mass transfusion survey will be coming. Please participate • Looking at sharing more TQIP practices

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRC is looking at rounding best practices • CRC is clarifying the ATLS requirement. New hire providers that do not have ATLS can be part of the trauma team but should not be seeing patients on their own until they have it
State EMS Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that the PPE survey previously mentioned includes ventilators • Staff may be out of the office more toward the end of the year • EMR rule that no longer requires National Registry does not take effect until 1/1/24 • One of the monthly EMS Office meetings will feature EMTrack • Next EMS Advisory Board meeting Dec 5 & 6 • The office will be moving out of 1 W. Wilson • MCI plan is still in Comms for approval • Gina mentioned being part of a group that is looking at transition of cre communication (i.e. MIST) • Office may have hemorrhage control kits available – Don to check
RTAC Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assisting with fall data for two counties • Available to attend county EMS meetings
Process improvement committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sara was ill today and unable to present the case review.
Out of Hospital Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will meet today
Injury Prevention Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will meet today • Michael is getting Amherst FD on the Fall Referral app • Michael has been in communication with The RTAC in the UP as they have been doing a IP project on off-road recreational vehicles (ORV) for several years and it may be an opportunity for us to gather and compare similar data. Michael will be setting up a meeting.
Conference Planning Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Friday at 11:00
Other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Future Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None
Announcements/ Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aspirus MedEvac is starting an EMS CEU series. Held the first session last week • MCHS – Rural Trauma Symposium – WI Dells – 12/15/23 • Child passenger safety technician course – SAFER – 4/22 – 4/25/24 • Portage County Rescue Task Force training with Stop the Bleed for school teachers – June 2024 <p>See Calendar at NCRtAC-WI.org for more events and details</p>
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting:
 Thursday, January 11, 2024
 9:00 am – Noon
 Marshfield Medical Center