

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES of July 13, 2023; 9:00 am
 Aspirus Wausau Hospital & Tele/videoconference

Members Present: Dan Arndorfer, Michelle Armstrong, Steve Bakos, April Bauch, Gina Brandl Dr. Michael Clark, Jenny Blenker, Cathy Connor, Nicole Dekan, Andrea Hebert, Del Horn, Irene Kadlec-Murray, Jason Keffeler, Christopher Keller, Don Kimlicka, Dana Klug, Liz Kracht, Pam Lentz, Ken Marg, David Rae, Kari Richert, Dr. Jennifer Roberts-Hagen, Adrienne Schroeder, Phil Skoug, Cory Smith, Tina Stephanus, Rachel Symons, Amanda Tabin, Robert Towne, Daniel Wall

Chairperson: Sara Steen

NCRTAC Coordinator/ Recorder: Michael Fraley

Introduction and Welcome	Sara Steen welcomed attendees.
May Meeting Minutes	Motion by Hebert to approve the May 11, 2023 meeting minutes as posted. Second by Keffeler. Unanimously approved.
Correspondence	None
NCW HERC Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jon Stone has been hired as the new NCW HERC Coordinator. • Working on end of year close-outs
State Trauma/ STAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STAC met June 7 and had a joint session with the EMS Advisory Board. • Injury Prevention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Falls Free WI project – website with resources ○ Fall referral app webinar July 27 ○ ATV legislation – open intoxicants & passenger restrictions ○ September is Fall Prevention month – watch for resources to become available • Data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ AIS 2015 will be required in 2025. DHS will offer training ○ PRQ report writer office hours session recorded ○ 2022 Data report is still in Comms • Trauma program manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conducting a survey to recruit participants in a mentorship program ○ Discussed lots of site review trends and criteria clarifications ○ The New ACS book did not include level 4s. An update is underway. Once that is out, WI will begin review of potential changes to our criteria • Performance improvement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Presentation on TQIP • STAC joint meeting with EMS Advisory Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussed several points for ongoing collaboration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Falls, MCI, scene times, ED LOS, field triage ○ Will be doing a joint review of the state HEMS guidelines • CRC

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reviewing recent hospital changes to unclassified or lower level for trends ○ Recent reviews have been going better ● Margaret will be on maternity leave October - December
State EMS Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provider and service renewals are closed ● Recent budget bill include some changes but the office is not clear yet on some of the specifics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ FAP funding will be permanently increased from 2.2M to 25M and will allow first responder services direct access to the funds. They currently access the funds through their transporting ambulance services ● MCI plan template document is in Comms
RTAC Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Michael did Stop the Bleed and Trauma Triage training in Laona
2022 Regional Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Michael presented a summary of registry data for 2022 ● Presentation will be posted to NCRATAC-WI.org
Budgets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Michael presented the up to date expense worksheet for the FY2022-23 ● Michael presented the draft FY2023-24 budget and encouraged members to submit project ideas
Lexi Bandt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lexi Bandt, Hospital site review nurse specialist with the DHS Trauma Program introduced herself and asked if there were any questions about hospital classification visits. ● Lexi Bandt - 608-770-4832 - alexandria.bandt@dhs.wisconsin.gov
Process improvement committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sara Sten presented a case review
Out of Hospital Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Finalized MCI form templates, Michael will send out to services ● Discussed need to get local EMS agencies involved in StB classes including the upcoming teacher inservices at the end of August ● Discussed purchasing more tourniquets and how those will be given out ● Discussed the concept of an EMS hands-on skills day to supplement the annual conference
Injury Prevention Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Committee will meet today ● IP products available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ATV safety booklets ○ Bike helmets ○ PFDs ○ Posters – Poison Purse and Poison Look Alike ○ Distracted driving “Toe Tag” bags ● Two Fall prevention banners were displayed at the USSO Golf Event
Position Statement for ED Providers on Initial Open Fracture Guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Michael presented the next position statement for the NCRATAC to review and update as needed. ● MMC and AWH will review with their ortho and pharmacy resources
Other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● USSO Golf Event recap

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 200 patient encounters – mostly band-aids and Ibuprofen ○ No transports from the event to hospitals ○ 9 heat-related cases ○ Bike team worked well in the crowds ○ EMTrack went well
Future Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None identified
Announcements/ Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None identified <p>See Calendar at NCRATAC-WI.org for more events and details</p>
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting:
 Thursday, September 14, 2023
 9:00 am – Noon
 Marshfield Medical Center