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Georgia Committee for Trauma Excellence (GCTE)

November 16, 2022

2:00 PM-4:00 PM

[Trauma.ga.gov meeting link](https://trauma.ga.gov/meeting-link)

Jesse Gibson, MBA, BSN RN, TCRN

GCTE Chair

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PRESENT	REPRESENTING
<i>Karen Hill, Chair, former</i>	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
<i>Jesse Gibson, Chair, current</i>	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
<i>Tracy Johns, Vice-Chair</i>	Atrium Health Navicent
<i>Kellie Rowker, Pediatrics</i>	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
<i>Kristal Smith, Injury Prevention and Outreach</i>	Atrium Health Navicent
<i>Kelli Vaughn, Registry</i>	John D Archbold Memorial Hospital
<i>Jessica Mantooth, Education</i>	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
<i>John Pope, Performance Improvement</i>	Piedmont Cartersville

ATTENDEES		
FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	COMPANY
Cindy	Hoggard	AdventHealth Redmond
Nicole	Sundholm	AdventHealth Redmond
Monica	Trotter	AdventHealth Redmond
Rachel	Graham	Atrium Health Floyd

Katie	Hasty	Atrium Health Floyd
Matthew	O'Rourke	Atrium Health Floyd
Melissa	Parris	Atrium Health Floyd
Crystal	Wynn	Atrium Health Floyd
Judith	Lyttle	Atrium Health Navicent Medical Center
Susan	Murphy	Atrium Health Navicent Medical Center
Faith	Rand	Atrium Health Navicent Medical Center
Kristal	Smith	Atrium Health Navicent Medical Center
Sharon	Hogue	Atrium Health Polk
Lesa	Jackson	Atrium Health Polk
Tifani	Kinard	Atrium Health Polk
Dawn	Truett	Atrium Health Polk
Ashley	Faircloth	Augusta University
Kyndra	Holm	Augusta University
Regina	Medeiros	Augusta University
Patricia	Smith	Augusta University
Alicia	Cochran	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Susanne	Edwards	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Stephen	Goux	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Karen	Hill	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Bianca	Macklin	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Kellie	Rowker	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Moe	Schmid	Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Ashley	Bullington	Crisp Regional
Christopher	Ruiz	Doctors Hospital of Augusta
Lindsey	Lewis	Effingham Health System
Amy	Watson	Effingham Health System
Brooke	Marsh	Emanuel Medical Center
Gail	Thornton	Emanuel Medical Center

Lynn	Grant	Fairview Park Hospital
Elizabeth	Atkins	Georgia Trauma Commission
Katie	Hamilton	Georgia Trauma Commission
Gina	Solomon	Georgia Trauma Commission
Cheryle	Ward	Georgia Trauma Foundation
Samantha	Buchanan	Grady
Joy	Eleby	Grady
Jennifer	Freeman	Grady
Robin	Garza	Grady
Erin	Moorcones	Grady
Sarah	Parker	Grady
Madeline	Parks	Grady
Kenya	Cosby	Grady Health System- Walter L. Ingram Burn Center
Kim	Brown	Hamilton Medical Center
Joyell	Chestnut	HCA/Parallon
Farrah	Parker	JMS Burn Center at Doctors Hospital
Jessica	Davis	John D Archbold Memorial Hospital
Mary Beth	Goodwin	John D Archbold Memorial Hospital
Keith	Dawson	MHUMC Savannah
Christie	Mathis	Morgan Medical Center
Jesse	Gibson	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Linda	Greene	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Blanca	Hinojosa	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Jessica	Mantooth	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Maria	Silva	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Laura	Wolf	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Jacki	Payne	Northeast Georgia Medical Center Trauma Services
Barlynda	Bryant	Northside Hospital Gwinnett
Nadirah	Burgess	Northside Hospital Gwinnett

Dana	Davis	Northside Hospital Gwinnett
Tracy	Harris	Northside Hospital Gwinnett
Sarah	Holcombe	Northside Hospital Gwinnett
Rayma	Stephens	Northside Hospital Gwinnett
Colleen	Horne	Northside Hospital Gwinnett
Sharon	Grason	Northside Hospital Gwinnett Trauma Services
Danlin	Luo	OEMST
Marie	Probst	OEMST
Brandi	Fitzgerald	Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital
Denise	Bennett	Piedmont Athens Regional
Cammie	Cruce	Piedmont Athens Regional
Ana	Delgado	Piedmont Athens Regional
Heather	Morgan	Piedmont Athens Regional
Shannon	Thomas	Piedmont Athens Regional
Jan	Tidwell	Piedmont Cartersville
Mary	Bizilia	Piedmont Columbus Regional
Marilyn	Dunlap	Piedmont Columbus Regional
Shalonda	Wright	Piedmont Columbus Regional
Justin	Keeton	Piedmont Henry
Karen	Hust	Piedmont Walton Hospital
Roger	Smith	Wellstar
Pamela	Vanderberg	Wellstar
Kristy	Ruiz	Wellstar Cobb Hospital
Carla	Ward	Wellstar Cobb Hospital
Danielle	Johnson	Wellstar Kennestone & RTAC 3 Coordinator
Dana	Bouse	Wellstar Kennestone Hospital
Julie	Freeman	Wellstar Kennestone Hospital
Christina	Ucci	Wellstar Kennestone Hospital
Jamie	Van Ness	Wellstar Kennestone Hospital

Elizabeth	Folse	Wellstar North Fulton Hospital
Rhonda	Jones	Wellstar North Fulton Hospital
Tatiana	Woods	Wellstar North Fulton Hospital
Kerry	Carter	Wellstar Paulding
Susan	Baldrige	Wellstar Spalding Regional Hospital
Rachel	Hand	Wellstar West Ga Medical Center

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<p>Call to Order, Establishment of Quorum, Introduction of New Members, Vice-chair vote, and Approval of Minutes</p>	<p>Jesse Gibson, Committee Chair, called the meeting of the Georgia Committee for Trauma Excellence (GCTE), a committee of the Georgia Trauma Commission (GTC), to order at 2:01 pm. A quorum was established, with eight executive members present. Jesse welcomed everyone and asked the in-person attendees and any new virtual attendees to introduce themselves.</p> <p>After introductions, Jesse Gibson stated Tracy Johns will be taking over as GCTE Chair in January 2023. We have asked everyone to advise if they were interested in the Vice-Chair position and had one person agree to the nomination, Lynn Grant from Fairview Park Hospital. Jesse Gibson asked if there were any more nominations, then asked for members to vote of support or opposition to the Vice-Chair nomination. With no opposition, Jesse congratulated Lynn Grant on the well-deserved position and thanked the Committee for their support throughout the years, and she looks forward to serving as Past-Chair.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>MOTION GCTE 2022-11-01:</u> Motion to approve Lynn Grant as GCTE Vice-Chair for a two-year term starting January 1, 2023. MOTION: Tracy Johns SECOND: Kyndra Holm DISCUSSION: None ACTION: The motion <u>PASSED</u> with no objections nor abstentions.</p> <p>Jesse Gibson asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August.</p>

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	<p><u>MOTION GCTE 2022-11-02:</u> Motion to approve August 25, 2022, meeting minutes as submitted MOTION: Kellie Rowker SECOND: Tracy Johns DISCUSSION: None ACTION: The motion <u>PASSED</u> with no objections nor abstentions</p>
<p>Georgia Trauma Commission (GTC) Update</p>	<p>Liz Atkins provided an update on behalf of the Georgia Trauma Commission:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The November Commission Meeting is tomorrow, and you can find the full meeting packet posted online under events before the meeting. They will be reviewing and voting on the following items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unfunded center grants • FY 2024 proposed performance-based pay criteria • GQIP formalized structure, which provides a protected umbrella for peer review and case discussion. • We received great feedback from the FY 2024 proposed performance-based pay criteria open comment period. We asked current contracted centers to provide any suggestions or changes. Some highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importance of TMD COT membership for level I and II centers. Dr. Ashley does feel it is important for surgeons in leadership roles to be a member of the COT. Moving forward, we want to ensure the COT chair, Benji Christie, attends our GQIP meetings and provides COT updates • Many asked for clarification on MARCH PAWS (massive bleeding, airway, respiration, circulation, head and hypothermia, pain, antibiotics, wounds, and splinting), a course to address trauma care in rural communities. Emanuel Medical Center received a grant from the Georgia Trauma Commission to help administer and develop the course, which is currently in pilot phase. For FY2024 PBP, there are zero dollars at risk since it is new. We want you to be aware of the course, and a dollar risk will be assigned in the future. • There was a suggestion to track diversion hours • The Committee discussed the pros and cons of adding diversion hours or any additional criteria to the FY2024. It was agreed to add new criteria suggestions for FY 2025 with no risk. In the following year, we can add dollars at risk. A summary of all feedback will be on page 38 of the meeting packet.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracy Johns asked if there are centers that are not receiving funding. Liz Atkins stated that five centers are not a part of the funding. Super Speeder funds have plateaued, and we need to figure out how to pull the unfunded centers into the funding scheme. • The Level III/IV Readiness Cost Survey was accepted for publication. • The Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation will provide an overview of the Level IV consult visits, including strengths, opportunities, and recommendations. • Our ACS Trauma Systems Consultative Visit with Rural Focused Review will take place from January 9 through January 13, 2023. We are partnering with the Office of EMS and Trauma to complete the Pre-Review Questionnaire. The schedule and locations are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday, January 9, 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Georgia Full Trauma System Review ○ Location: Lake Blackshear in Cordele, GA (Virtual Option Available) ○ Full Day ○ Identified Trauma Care Stakeholders to be invited for in-person attendance. Others are welcome to join a virtual meeting. • Tuesday, January 10, 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Southern Georgia Rural-Focused Trauma System Review ○ Location: Lake Blackshear in Cordele, GA (In-Person Only) ○ 8 am-12 noon ○ Region 5-9 Trauma Care Stakeholders • Wednesday, January 11, 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Northern Georgia Rural-Focused Trauma System Review ○ Location: Clarence Brown Conference Center in Cartersville, GA (In-Person Only) ○ 10 am-2 pm ○ Region 1-4, 10 Trauma Care Stakeholder • All updates will be posted on our website: trauma.ga.gov
Office of EMS & Trauma Update	<p>Renee Morgan provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have had several redesignation visits, and some new center visits are still pending. • ACS verified Fairview Park during their consult visit, which hasn't been done in Georgia.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liz Atkins clarified that all contracted Level IIIs must be ACS verified by June 30, 2025, to be eligible for funding. The funding piece is different from state designations. • Some quarterly reports are behind. We're trying to get those out to you. <p>Marie Probst provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the Georgia Trauma Registry: the last SDL file installation went out on October 28th to the phase three and four centers. I will follow up with the centers to receive an installation status. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27 out of 37 facilities have received the SDL file. 15 of those 27 centers have submitted data to us. • Once phase three and four centers are complete. We have 10 centers in phases five and six that will need to receive the SDL file. • Once we have everyone's 2021 and 2022 data, we can upload it to the Biospatial site, a data analytics platform focusing on demographic disease and injury surveillance. It will allow centers to compare their data with others. It is not risk-adjusted like the ArborMetrix platform. You will be able to create downloadable dashboards and graphs through Biospatial. We have a Biospatial training recording to share that we facilitated with the TPMs in 2020. • The January 1-September 30 records due date was updated to December 23, 2022. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee discussed aligning download dates for OEMST, GQIP, TQIP, and NTDB. There would be no impact with aligning one due date for all downloads. TQIP has extended its deadline for download to December 23, 2022. Therefore, we will change all download due dates to that date. • Centers need to ensure their IT departments are working on the SDL file so you can complete these downloads. You may need to remind them that this is part of the state's requirement as a designated trauma center. • Please ensure the NTDB box and State box are marked "yes." We will not receive your data if they are marked no or blank. It is a good idea to add those to your QA. • The Committee discussed the AIS 2015 codes and the delay of the goal due to ESO and software company support. There was a suggestion to facilitate an update course. Jesse Gibson noted that we couldn't do anything until TQIP accepts these codes. We will need to find some information and keep this on the top of our list.

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Georgia Trauma Foundation Update	<p>Cheryle Ward provided an update on behalf of the Foundation:</p> <p>We are coming up with short-term and long-term priorities while ensuring we stay aligned with the Georgia Trauma Commission. We want to increase our visibility and presence around the state and want your wisdom on the needs of the community and ask for feedback on your region's trauma leaders and corporate partners. The Foundation is working towards bridging the funding gap to ensure we continue doing what is needed to improve the trauma system.</p>
Georgia Quality Improvement Update	<p>Gina Solomon provided a brief review of GQIP's latest activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The workgroups are paused. Dr. Todd wants to address our current structure and what we are accomplishing with the lofty goals. TBI workgroup obtained a participant use file from TQIP with four years' worth of data. Our research resident, Eli, will analyze the files compared to the Georgia data. • The GQIP Central Site is up, and thank you all who submitted your data. We are 99% complete. Now, we are building test files and sending one big file to Arbormetrix to do the risk-adjusted benchmarking. Everyone should have access to the central site driller. It has similar capabilities as Biospatial, where you can create graphs and reports based on your data. The Arbormetrix report will be risk-adjusted like your TQIP reports, but you will have access to the data quicker than waiting for TQIP. We have a call on December 1st to discuss a list of outcome measures, process measures, and filters we want to see and then begin building those with the analytics team. Our go-live is by the second quarter of 2023. • I will email Level I and II centers to obtain your Fall Performance Matrix Summaries. • Keep an eye out for emails regarding the Winter Meeting. Registration is currently open.
Subcommittee Reports	<p>Education: Jessica Mantooh provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer to Definitive Care PowerPoint due date will be January 1, 2023. AKI PowerPoint due date will be February 20, 2023. Both PowerPoints will be shared once complete and are meant to be a resource and tool that can be edited to be more relevant to your particular center. • Utilizing State Funding for Education: The state had education funding left over from the previous FY. They have asked the education subcommittee to help fund educational offerings. The Education Subcommittee had approx. \$11,000 to help fund educational offerings around the state. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funded an ATCN course at Grady in June ○ Funding TNCC Provider Course at Phoebe Putney

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Purchased the new STN Trauma E-Library for the state-wide trauma-designated or ACS-verified trauma center use. MOU is being circulated, and you can send it back to me if interested. ○ With some leftover funds, we purchased TCRN study flipbooks for the state trauma centers. Our goal is to increase the rate of TCRN-certified nurses across the state. <p>Pediatric: Kelli Rowker updated the Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We are a small subcommittee. If anyone is interested in joining, please let me know. ● Working with other subcommittees to decrease time to definitive care for patients less than 15 years old. ● Still emphasizing the follow-up for Pediatric Imaging Guideline use at transferring facilities. ● Continuing monthly meetings with Powershare, talking with centers that might be struggling, and facilitating education. ● SIPA (Shock Index Pediatric Adjusted) project data has been collected and analyzed. Our subcommittee is preparing an educational presentation to share with the state. We are hoping to add the SIPA score as a data element. The goal is to educate facilities regarding the SIPA score before a patient is put on an ambulance for transport to ensure they either get blood or are being transported with blood. ● We do not have many AKI patients and data, so we are putting our focus on TBI this upcoming year. ● Continuing to work on Pediatric Readiness and collaborating with the Pediatric Medical Recognition Group. We look forward to meeting with them tomorrow. <p>Performance Improvement: John Pope provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We are trying to focus on how to make the PI committee more valuable. We sent out a volunteer survey to get people from different levels to work on AKI and Time to Definitive care, then come together to provide updates. <p>Registry: Kelli Vaughn updated the Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Marie has updated the GCTE contact list to include whoever the contact is in your facility for transfer follow-up so we can keep our registries up to date. ● The AIS document link was shared during the registry meeting.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the registry, we have a transfer rationale option. Starting January 2023, we could have a standard definition to know why you are choosing a certain option. Please let me know if you are interested in working on the definitions. • We are including case studies with some registry questions. We are asking members to submit for review in 2023. There are openings for January, July, and October. <p>Injury Prevention and Outreach: Kristal Smith provided an update on activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will be doing a Bingocize needs assessment in the next couple of weeks to see who wants to keep doing it and who needs to be doing it. We may get a budget together to purchase new items. • We have a great team and appreciate everyone's support.
GCTE Goals/Vision	<p>Jesse Gibson reminded everyone of the GCTE goals as a 2–4-year strategy to align our work with others across the state. We came up with three major initiatives for our state that then the subcommittees could develop goals around and impact:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Decrease Time to Definitive Care 2. Decrease the incidence of Acute Kidney Injury 3. Increase Public Awareness of Trauma <p>Now we are budding the infrastructure to begin the work. I hope we stay engaged and ensure our subcommittee initiatives funnel into the high-level goals.</p>
GCTE Executive Committee	<p>We revamped the executive group meeting, which includes the Chair, Vice-chair, and all subcommittee chairs. We plan to continue to meet quarterly to bounce ideas around. I will sound out some potential meeting dates for the executive group.</p>
New Business	<p>Jesse Gibson asked the Committee if there were any new roundtable discussions or to share any struggles or celebrations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some committee members shared their ACS verification dates and which book, grey or orange, would be their standard for a visit. Jesse Gibson recommended that the centers undergoing a verification reach out to verified centers for support or questions. • There was a concern about the inability to facilitate transfer agreements with centers and facing pushback from legal and risk teams. Tracy Johns recommended bringing up the concern to the Trauma Administrators. Jesse Gibson agreed to bring this up during the ACS Rural-Focused visit.

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	<p>We have our 2023 meeting dates to review and approve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday, March 1, 2023: Hybrid, Chateau Elan • Thursday, June 1, 2023: Virtual • Thursday, September 7, 2023: Virtual • Wednesday, November 15, 2023: Hybrid, Location to be determined <p><u>MOTION GCTE 2022-11-03:</u> Motion to 2023 GCTE meeting dates MOTION: Kyndra Holm SECOND: Tracy Johns DISCUSSION: None ACTION: The motion <u>PASSED</u> with no objections nor abstentions</p>
Adjourn	<p>Before adjourning, Jesse Gibson reminded the Committee that the new Chair would be Tracy Johns, and Vice-chair will be Lynn Grant starting January 1, 2023. It has been an honor and a growing experience as GCTE Chair, and I encourage you all to get involved with the subcommittees and leadership roles. Your presence and engagement matter and helps us move forward to improve patient care.</p> <p>I look forward to staying a part of this group as Past-chair. Tracy Johns asked for any other business.</p> <p><i>Vice-chair Tracy Johns adjourned the meeting at 3:55 pm.</i></p>

Minutes Crafted by Gabriela Saye