**Trauma Medical Directors Committee**

**DRAFT FOR APPROVAL**

**Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

4:30 PM-5:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

*Following GQIP Collaborative Meeting*

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| **COMMITTEE MEMBERS** | **REPRESENTING** |
| **Katherine Kohler, Chair**  **Matthew Vassy, Vice-Chair**  John Mayfield  Dennis Ashley  Terence O'Keeffe  Amina Bhatia  Alexis Smith  Robyn Hatley  Alicia Register  Corydon Siffring  David Kiefer  Elizabeth Benjamin  Walter Ingram  Steve Paynter  Greg Patterson  Bounthavy Homsombath  James Dunne  Awharitefe Urhuogo  Naila Avery  Scott Hannay  Richard Jacob  Catherine Martin  Barry Renz  Kyle Thomas  Mark Gravlee  Arthur Curran  Abraham Fish | WellStar AMC, TMD  Northeast Georgia Medical Center, TMD  Advent Health Redmond Hospital, TMD  Atrium Health Navicent, TMD  Augusta University, TMD  Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta at Egleston, TMD  Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite, TMD  CHOG Augusta University, TMD  Crisp Regional, TMD  Doctors Hospital of Augusta, TMD  Effingham Health System, TMD  Grady Health System, TMD  Grady Memorial Hospital Burn Unit, TMD  Hamilton Medical Center, TMD  John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital, TMD  Joseph M. Still Burn Center, TMD  Memorial Health University Medical Center, TMD  Morgan Medical Center, TMD  Northside Gwinnett, TMD  Piedmont Columbus Regional, TMD  Piedmont Walton, TMD  Polk Medical Center, TMD  Wellstar Cobb, TMD  Wellstar Kennestone, TMD  Wellstar North Fulton, TMD  Wellstar Paulding Medical Center, TMD  Winn Army Community Hospital, TMD |
| **OTHER ATTENDEES** | **REPRESENTING** |
| Monica Trotter  Josephine Fabico-Dulin  Tracy Johns  Regina Medeiros  Kyndra Holm  Ashley Faircloth  Brian Bays  Maia Routly  Kellie Rowker  Moe Schmid  Ashley Bullington  Lindsey Lewis  Jesse Codner  Lynn Grant  Ashley Cribbs  Robin Garza  Sarah Parker  Angela Sanabria  S. Rob Todd  Roxanne Rothenberg  Kim Brown  Mary Beth Goodwin  Kelli Vaughn  Farrah Parker  Karrie Page  Kelsey Palladino  Whitney Williamson  Jesse Gibson  Nadirah Burgess  Heather Morgan  John Pope  Mary Bizilia  Kelly Gasser  Karen Hust  Sharon Hogue  Emily Page  Pamela Vanderberg  Kristy Ruiz  Megan Dawson  Jamie Van Ness  Mariana Gattegno  Kerry Carter  Michele Evans  Liz Atkins  Gabriela Saye  Gina Solomon | Advent Health Redmond Hospital, Trauma PI Coordinator  Atrium Health Navicent, Trauma PI Coordinator  Atrium Health Navicent, Trauma Services Manager  AU Health, Trauma Program Director  AU Health/Children's Hospital of GA, Pediatric Trauma Program Manager  Augusta University, TPM PI  Augusta University Medical Center, Trauma Program Manager  Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, Trauma PI Coordinator  Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, TPM  Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta, TPM  Crisp Regional, TPM  Effingham Hospital, Trauma Coordinator  Emory, GQIP Research Fellow  Fairview Park Hospital, Trauma Program Director  Grady Health System, Trauma Quality RN Specialist  Grady Health System, VP Trauma  Grady Health System, Trauma Program Director  Grady Health System, Trauma Quality RN Specialist  Grady Health System, Chief, Acute Care Surgery  Grady Memorial Hospital Burn Unit, Trauma quality RN specialist  Hamilton Medical Center, Trauma manager  John D Archbold, Trauma PI Coordinator  John D Archbold, Trauma Program Manager  Joseph M. Still Burn Center, Lead Burn Analyst  Memorial Health Meadows Hospital, Trauma Coordinator  Memorial Health University Medical Center,  Memorial Health University Medical Center, Trauma Director  Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Trauma Program Director  Northside Hospital Gwinnett, Trauma Program Manager  Piedmont Athens, Trauma Program Manager  Piedmont Cartersville, TPM  Piedmont Columbus, TPM  Piedmont Columbus, Trauma PI coordinator  Piedmont Walton Hospital, Trauma Program Coor  Polk Medical Center, TPM  Wellstar AMC, Trauma Coordinator  Wellstar AMC, Trauma Program Director  WellStar Cobb, TPM  Wellstar Kennestone, PI Coordinator  Wellstar Kennestone, Director of Trauma Services  Wellstar North Fulton, Dir. Quality & Safety  Wellstar Paulding Medical Center, TPM  Winn Army Community Hospital, TPM  Georgia Trauma Commission, Executive Director  Georgia Trauma Commission, Executive Assistant  Georgia Trauma Commission, GQIP Director |

**Committee Introduction and Overview**

Dr. Katherine Kohler, Chair of the Trauma Medical Director Committee, welcomed everyone and briefly discussed the history of the Committee meeting cadence. Historically, the meeting was separate from the GQIP Collaborative meeting to go over significant issues TMDs felt needed to be addressed. We have been looking at the historical minutes to determine why the group formed and where they left off. We didn’t want to change anything essential but wanted the call to be meaningful and worthwhile to attend.

**Meeting Cadence**

Dr. Matthew Vassy asked the committee members if combining the GQIP and TMD meetings were beneficial. We don’t want to make this meeting burdensome to your schedules.

Dr. Alexis Smith stated that we are all experiencing some sort of shortage in the current environment and like the combined concept. Dr. James Dunne agreed to keep the meeting combined. There was concern if the meeting agenda items grew, we may need to break off to another day, but we can decide on that as we move forward. Dr. Vassy agreed with keeping the meeting combined, and as we gain momentum and traction, we can allot more time or split off.

**Proposed Agenda Items**

Dr. Vassey recommended If anyone has suggestions on agenda items for discussion, please submit them to Dr. Kohler and himself.

Some recommendations on agenda items discussed:

* Liz Atkins recommended surge communication, which has been a topic of discussion for some time. We need to brainstorm different issues and challenges we face within our trauma centers. Dr. Elizabeth Benjamin mentioned diversion and discussion of the surge in different hospitals and how we communicate with each other. Dr. Kohler stated there are a lot of opportunities for how we handle surges in the state. There are a lot of workgroups that have been working on different avenues related to that. I do think having a standing topic for it would be helpful.
* Dr. James Dunne added I think the operational issue is a good bucket. We all struggle with different aspects of trying to run a trauma center and how to overcome obstacles.

Dr. Vassy asked if there were any more updates on the Georgia Coordinating Center and its ability to manage capacities. Liz Atkins stated they are currently working on the build for trauma diversion. We’re not sure what other capabilities they have, such as notification when your regional partners are shut down. There was a discussion about creating a WhatsApp group with all your contact information as a way for you all to talk with each other and have an awareness of what is going on.

Liz Atkins will arrange to set up a Whatsapp and, if interested, text her to be added to the group. We can keep the traffic on there limited to surge and capacity.

**Next Steps**

* Please send agenda item suggestions to Dr. Kohler or Dr. Vassey. Gina to send out the emails to the group.
* Liz Atkins will start the Whatsapp Group. The committee can update on Whatsapp group in the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM

*Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Gabriela Saye*