

## Georgia Committee for Trauma Excellence January 27, 2010

**In attendance:** Kelli Vaughn, Greg Pereira, Liz Atkins, Lauren Kubik, Emily Page, Karen Johnson, Jim Sargent, Regina Medeiros, Kathy Segó, Caroline Bayless, Bambi Bruce, Renee Morgan, Laurie Murrell, Fran Lewis, Pam Jones, Marie Probst, Gina Solomon, Mary Lou Dennis, Julie McInnis, Silla Summerlin

**Call-in:** Cherry Jones, Leeanne Grant, Imogene Willis, Julia Hong, Sheree Deegle; Gretchen

**TAG Update** – Fran Lewis – TNCC will be offered on April 22-23 @ Fannin Regional in Blue Ridge, GA. Rochella, Bambi, Regina and Mary Kelly will be the instructors for the course.

-There is a need for ENPC class to be offered before summer; needs director and coordinator. Greg Pereira and Kelli Vaughn will tackle.

-Treasury - \$6,373.06 is available and expect to pay \$500.00 to CPA for tax preparation leaving approximately \$5,800.00 (Jim Sargent)

-Question if TAG will give money towards the RTCC being taught by Debra Kitchens and Regina Medeiros. This is a one day class with class time in the morning and more hospital specific in the afternoon. The first class will be April 9<sup>th</sup> @ Emmanuel Medical Center and the funding will be provided from elsewhere (not by TAG). RTCC had asked about funding through TAG and will be able to give TAG a cost for the class after April 9<sup>th</sup>. TAG is not being sought to provide funding continuously and will apply for preparedness money and assistance through hosting hospitals. See ACS website for further details.

**Registry Update** – Karen Johnson – will give directions to connect to Registrar list serve

-Discussions from Registrar meeting:

-Continue collecting vital signs on direct admit patients

-If a patient is intubated, what is respiration rate, did EMS list as 0?

-Continue to use 0 as necessary because pt is not breathing on their own

-Do you close a record if “record ready to send is No?”

-Do not close the record, leave as active because it will not be downloaded to the state

-Will it effect NTDB? – Karen will contact and ask DI

-If you change records, remember to run checks on them and close them if record is ready to send

-What direction does the Registrar Meeting want to take?

-want to continue education (such as coding sessions)

-want to look at options for their 10am meeting time

-Fran had an issue with trying to run reports with 2 filters at the same time

-have to call DI each time

-example” want to run report with all lower extremity fxs & vascular injuries

- Report writing – going to send DI questions to see if there can be a group discount for Report Writer
- also may be additional charge if issues happen when used remotely (\$500 yearly)
- is it necessary for everyone to have NTRACS 5.0 for Report Writer?
- Question for DI – can we substitute the name of the EMS provider instead of using PCR number?

**Broselow** – Greg Pereira – Money for purchase has been approved by the Trauma Commission. Awaiting contracts to be completed. The system has been purchased to be implemented in all 16 existing trauma centers and 15 additional hospitals. Representatives from all Level 1 Centers, CHOA and Columbus have been chosen and will go to other facilities and educate on the system. Dr Broselow is also working towards a system for EMS as well.

**Form 5111** – Kelli Vaughn – This form is required for the equipment purchased through the capital grant funds. Grady & Macon do not need to complete as there money was used towards construction.

-Renee Morgan – form is usually used for state purchased items and will have many N/A in the blanks. Once form is completed by the facilities (one per equipment item purchased), please send to Renee. Renee will send all together with a letter to DCH On the form, leave the decal number blank and do not sign (you haven't placed a decal on it yet). Renee or Kelli will let us know if the requirement to fill out this form remains or if it is waived after meeting with the commission.

**Financial Summit** – Kelli Vaughn –

-Survey sent via email this week.

-Section 1

-Part A – will remain the same definition but will verify breakdown of ISS categories.

-ISS Category: 0-9, 10-14, 15-24,  $\geq 25$

-Part B – Revised:

Patient Category	# of Patients	Total Cost*	Your hospital's definition of DOA vs ED Death	ISS Scores
Dead on Arrival				
ED Deaths				
OR Deaths			Do you include OR deaths in admitted pts? Facility dependent answer	
ED Transfers In and discharged in ED				
ED Transfers Out				

-Part D Need to include all registry pts – don't breakdown admitted vs non-admits

-if it is a subset of Part C

- Fran will call DI to see if they can make a Standard Report so that all reports will have the same filter settings.

**Transfer Checklist** – Lauren Kubik & Kelli Vaughn – recognize need for a standard for transferring patients

- Decide if it should contain clinical or registry or both information?
  - Look to combine both
- Was a topic for the GHA subcommittee but no final recommendations were made
- Kelli will take Elmhurst Transfer Sheet to Transfer Center Subcommittee for further evaluation

**Readiness Survey** – Kelli Vaughn & Regina Medeiros

- Make sure data is for Calendar year 2008
- Question: How do you estimate the portion of money attributed to trauma care by a specialty that covers both ED and trauma?
- Will use cost estimates to be able to evaluate possible trauma centers and let them know the cost to become centers
  - only looking at average aggregate cost, not volume
- no contract money or DI money is included

**State Office of EMS & Trauma Update** – Renee Morgan & Marie Probst

- Contracts for Uncompensated Care & Readiness Cost are being re-written and will be mailed out when ready
- Homeland Security and GEMA are looking at preparedness if any Haitians come from Florida
  - if we receive any patients, should be post-op or rehab patients
  - Find out who your Emergency Coordinator is to keep up to date
    - Email Kelly Nadeau if you don't know who your EC is
  - if you get a call to receive patients from Haiti, please direct to your EC
  - Attempt to identify any Haitians within your community
    - can assist with language barriers and placement
    - also coordinate with faith based outreach
- DI report writer training has been completed by Renee and Marie
  - Reports will be placed on the web
- 5 quarterly invoices were missing new contract numbers
  - Please send a COPY of quarterly invoices to Marie @ 40 Pryor Street labeled "COPY"
  - Make sure contractor name and address is filled in
  - Verify that you have received the money for Quarter 1 invoices
- FY 2010 Readiness and Uncompensated Care (will end June 30, 2010)
  - have to send monthly programmatic reports for how money is spent
    - will have to go back for July 09 – June 10
    - fill in with no activity for all months prior to the money being received
    - Notify Marie when you send an invoice for readiness to DCH; then begin sending programmatic reports.

- Marie will develop an Excel spreadsheet for us to use
  - it will be broken down into 3 sections: Readiness, PBP, Uninsured
  - once you have received the contract, you can immediately invoice for the readiness cost, will have to wait on uncompensated care

**Round Table:**

- Kelli Vaughn – awaiting TJC; Building a new tower to house a new ICU, ED & OR; current ED is under renovations. Will offer first ATLS on March 13&14. Rajma will be moving to Kentucky.
- Lauren Kubik – ED is currently under construction – temporary helipad will probably be in use within 2 weeks; temporary ambulance entrance is open. Also now have vascular coverage for trauma
- Caroline Bayless – ED is being renovated; looking to apply for Level 4 designation
- Kathy Sego – Athens is now official – Level 2 trauma center; Received great praise for EMS Symposium
- Gina Solomon – awaiting TJC; Currently working with EMS on education regarding trauma calls on pt's with short ETAs. Sponsoring an advanced Hazmat class in February and an advanced Disaster Life Support in April
- Fran Lewis – Put 40,000 patient on registry this week. Marcus Trauma Center being put on hold due to new Neuroscience unit @ Grady. Fran is now the Trauma Program Manager as Grady is revamping their trauma program. They are looking to hire 4 “Trauma Care Managers” after Fran goes to Dallas to see their trauma program @ Parkland in action. These for individuals will focus on PI, PR and Registry in put. Grady is also working to transition into electronic medical records and will also look at Epic while @ Parkland.
- Rochella Mood – (Fran) – AMC is going to apply for Level 1 designation on Feb 11. AMC is sponsoring a Trauma Symposium on April 24<sup>th</sup>: RN & EMS \$25, MD \$75.
- Bambi Bruce – building continues again in August 2010; now have a new plastics & Oral Maxillofacial surgeons
- Jim Sargent – North Fulton Regional Hospital has changed to North Fulton Hospital; a new Trauma Director should be announced in Feb; a new Thoracic surgeon starting in Feb/Mar; a new Neurosurgeon started taking call Dec 1, making a total of 3; Sill Burn Center will do an in-service on Mar 2 and EMS can receive 1 CEU. One Ortho/Traumatologist spent 1 week in Haiti and an ED nurse is currently in Haiti with a mission group.
- Greg Pereira – Finished his M. BA.; CHOA is being restructured and working towards an ACS visit and hopeful verification.
  - Julie McInnis – Injury Prevention/Education – Trauma Specialist class in Feb open to Medics, OT & PT; working to design a 2-day program for EMS (approx cost of \$50) and looking to take to other facilities; Joining with Safekids and meeting in schools; Looking to offer ATCN in August
  - Liz Atkins – PI – attending STN conference and remains over EMS outreach