



Georgia Trauma Commission

Right Patient, Right Hospital, Right Time, Right Means

Georgia Committee for Trauma Excellence

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, 21 January 2016
Scheduled: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Macon Marriott City Center
240 Coliseum Dr, Macon, GA 31217
Magnolia Room C
Learning Resource Center

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Gina Solomon called the meeting of the Georgia Committee for Trauma Excellence to order at 11:03 AM. Quorum was established with 9 members present of 9 members.

MEMBERS PRESENT	REPRESENTING
Laura Garlow, <i>Chairman</i>	WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center
Liz Atkins, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	Grady Memorial Hospital
Kathy Segó, <i>Chairman of Education Subcommittee</i>	Athens Regional Hospital
Regina Medeiros, <i>President of TAG</i>	Georgia Regents University
Lisa Ulbricht, <i>Chairman of Injury Prevention Subcommittee</i>	WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center
Jo Roland, <i>Chairman of Registry Subcommittee</i>	John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital
Tony Volrath, <i>Chairman of PI Subcommittee (Via Conference Line)</i>	Grady Memorial Hospital
Tracy Johns, <i>Chairman of Resource Development Subcommittee</i>	Medical Center Navicent Health
Sabrina Westbrooks, <i>Chairman of Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee</i>	Clearview Regional Medical Center

OTHERS SIGNING IN	REPRESENTING
Michelle Murphy <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Appling Healthcare System
Julie Long <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Appling Healthcare System
Kathy Segó	Athens Regional Medical Center
Rajma Johnson <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Atlanta Medical Center
Fran Lewis	Atlanta Medical Center
Jaina Carnes	Cartersville Medical Center

Greg Pereira	CHOA
Karen Hill	CHOA
Karen Johnson	CHOA
Tracie Walton	CHOA
Sabrina Westbrook	Clearview Medical Center
Joni Napier	Crisp Regional Hospital
Bruce Bailey <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Doctors Hospital of Augusta
Kim Moore	Doctors Hospital of Augusta
Gail Thornton	Emanuel Hospital
Lynn Grant	Fairview Park Hospital
Chelsea Adams	Fairview Park Hospital
Melissa Parris <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Floyd Medical Center
Katie Hasty <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Floyd Medical Center
Amanda Wright	Georgia Regents University
Liz Atkins <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Grady Memorial Hospital
Kelli F. Scott	Grady Memorial Hospital
Gina Solomon	Gwinnett Medical Center
Colleen Horne <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Gwinnett Medical Center
Kim Brown <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Hamilton Medical Center
Shawna Baggett	J.D. Archbold Memorial Hospital
Farrah Parker	Joseph M. Still Burn Center
Karrie Page	Meadows Regional Hospital
Rochelle Armola <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Memorial Health University
Gretchen Goodman <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Memorial Health University
Amanda Ramirez <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Memorial Health University
Susan Simons	Midtown Medical Center
Michelle Benton	Morgan Memorial Hospital
Patrick Simoes	Morgan Memorial Hospital
Jo C Fabico-Dulin	Navicent Health University Medical Center
Jim Sargent	North Fulton Regional Hospital
Nigel Clift <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	North Fulton Regional Hospital
Deb Battle	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Jesse Echols-Gibson	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Denise Hughes <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Linda Greene <i>(Via Conference Line)</i>	Northeast Georgia Medical Center
Tina Wood	Redmond Regional Medical Center
Emma Harrington	Shepherd Center
Misty Mercer	Trinity Hospital of Augusta
Kathy Garner	WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center
Cassandra Burroughs	WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center
Kristina Parker	WellStar Kennestone Regional Medical Center
Renee Morgan	DPH/Office of EMS/Trauma
Marie Probst	DPH/Office of EMS/Trauma
William R. Hardcastle, MD	DPH/Office of EMS/Trauma
Danlin Luo	DPH/Office of Epidemiology
David Foster	GAEMS Region I
Paul Beamon	Spalding Regional EMS
Kim Kottemann	LifeLink of Georgia

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Ms. Gina Solomon

Ms. Solomon welcomed everyone to the meeting. Minutes from the August meeting were approved as submitted.

Ms. Laura Garlow was installed as Chair of the GCTE. She presented a plaque to Ms. Solomon, thanking her for her years of dedicated service to the trauma community in the State of Georgia. She will continue to work within the GCTE as past chair. Ms. Garlow (re)appointed chairs to the GCTE subcommittees as noted above. In addition Ms. Liz Atkins was elected by the GCTE members in August and assumes that role at this time.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Injury Prevention (IP):

Ms. Lisa Ulbricht

- 1) Introduce Lisa as the new IP Chair
- 2) AMOB status & numbers
 - a. 30-40 Master Trainers trained in GA
 - b. 150-200 people completed the workshop
 - c. November 2014-October 2015
 - i. 28 classes completed during this time frame
- 3) Safe to Sleep program
- 4) ATS injury prevention courses
 - a. April 2nd & 3rd - Anaheim, CA (In conjunction with the Society of Trauma Nurses' Annual conference)
 - b. April 16th & 17th - Akron, OH
 - c. September 17th & 18th - Washington, DC
 - d. October 25th & 26th - Harrisburg, PA
- 5) Elizabeth Williams from Grady provides the following report on STEADI:

<http://www.cdc.gov/steady/>

For Grady's trauma population 65 and up, falls is the leading mechanism of injury, and one of the top three MOIs for the whole trauma population. We started working to implement CDC's "Stopping Elderly Accidents, Deaths, and Injuries" (STEADI) program ~6 months ago in partnership with Shepherd Center, GA Dept. of Public Health Injury Prevention, and CDC, and would like to implement the program in the Grady Acute Care for the Elderly Clinic. Three key screening questions: 1) Have you fallen in the past year?, 2) Do you feel unsteady when standing or walking?, and 3) Do you worry about falling? If a patient answers "yes" to any, they are at increased risk for a fall, and further assessment is recommended. After assessments and exam, patient will receive patient education materials with contact info for local community organizations that can link to resources (ie: Otago, Tai Chi, A Matter of Balance, etc). For any hospitals interested in implementing STEADI, Epic has created a screen with these questions in the 2015 version, and is currently working to implement it in the 2014 version.

- 6) The next conference call is Tuesday, January 26.

Registry

Ms. Jo Roland

The RSC met immediately preceding the GCTE meeting on 1/21/15.

- 1) The RSC is continuing to work towards transitioning to ICD-10 beginning with the arrival date of 1/1/2017. More training is being requested.
- 2) The state wide registry update from DI has been delayed again but it should be in the next few weeks. There was discussion regarding the impact of the delays on productivity. Most centers will have to re-open records to complete the 2016 data elements required by the NTDB and TQIP.
- 3) There is a large workgroup facilitating the development of the GA Data Dictionary. Assignments have been made and the due date for return of the assignments is March 1, 2016. Rajma Johnson shared a cross walk that she created between the 2015 and 2016 NTDS.

- 4) There is discussion to bring another AIS course to Georgia once the 2015 version is published. The RSC will work with the Education Committee on this course.

Resource Development/Specialty Care/ Special Projects

Ms. Tracy Johns

There has been substantial work with the GA Trauma Foundation on the web site. It is nearly operational. It will serve as a clearinghouse for TAG administrative work such as registration and forms. TAG plans to dissolve by 3/31/16. The site will also be a repository for resources for existing and developing trauma centers. Documents include job descriptions, protocols etc.

Education

Ms. Kathy Sego

The subcommittee is working on the change from TAG to the Foundation:

- 1) Residual funds to be transferred to the Foundation for upcoming courses.
- 2) Testing the website developed by Ga Tech for registration of courses.
- 3) Compiling a list of instructors at each center.

We need more representatives on Education subcommittee and more instructors taking an active role. Using the same instructors puts an unfair burden on their trauma centers.

In addition the Education Subcommittee is compiling a list of courses we project we will need in FY 2017. Please send ideas ASAP. So far we have had requests for:

- 1) Additional ICD 10 training
- 2) AIS 2015
- 3) DI Report Writer

Upcoming TAG Funded RTTDC Classes:

- 1) Macon – Date not finalized
- 2) NEGMC – Brazelton March 2016
- 3) NEGMC – Stephens County Toccoa Ga – June 7th

TOPIC at Grady on 4/26/16

TCAR at Grady on 3/28-29/2016

PI

Mr. Tony Volrath

Review of the filter/tracked issue project.

- 1) 10 centers participated.
 - a. The goal was to practice using the tracked issues tab within the outcomes module.
 - b. The consensus was that using the tracked filters had been beneficial to learning the Outcomes module.
 - c. The biggest challenge was time. Volume was up at many centers and it was difficult for some team members to build the reports and practice running them.
- 2) Each team member agreed to add 3 user defined filters to their registries. QA Tracking was checked for each:
 - a. Door to CT > 30 minutes
 - i. Most centers reported that their aggregate times to initial CT were longer than what they had expected.
 1. Several factors were identified:
 2. Transport
 3. CT availability
 4. Untimely ordering
 5. Patient instability in the ED
 6. There was variation on how the time of first CT is being captured
 - b. Untimely antibiotic administration in open fractures (defined as within 1 hour of arrival)
 - i. The group will continue tracking the Antibiotic administration in open fractures info as it is an ACS focus and in the PRQ.
 - c. Under triage communication issues
 - i. Low yield

- ii. Not a problem for most centers
- 3) The filters were all added by 9/11/15. Each center was tasked with constructing the reports themselves or having DI assist.
 - a. Variation. Based on center feedback, DI techs were involved in the creation of several reports. There is a lot of variation in the reports based on which tech built them.
- 4) Two options for tracking:
 - a. Build a report and track retrospectively – keeping the data in a spread sheet similar to the TQIP audit filter project from last year.
 - b. Use the antibiotic admin procedure code and/or custom data element to track in real time. May still need a custom report to capture results.
- 5) Future work:
 - a. Data collection. The team will finalize the parameters for data collection and begin formally using the filters. Outlier cases will be investigated and notes entered under the tracked issue tab. The standard DI tracked issue reports will be run to compare data between centers. Identified trends will be discussed.
 - b. The overarching goal of the project is to standardize the use of the filters. The group will share results/recommendations with the GCTE group in the form of an educational presentation.
 - c. The group also committed to assisting Gina in her geriatric activation project.

Emergency Preparedness

Ms. Sabrina Westbrook

Under new leadership, the EP subcommittee will work to develop goals for the year and make recommendations to the GCTE. One discussion was to work on moving the State to adopt universal in house nomenclature for codes called over the in-house paging systems i.e. weather emergencies, active shooter events and other threats.

Georgia Trauma Commission Update

Ms. Dena Abston

No report as the Trauma Commission meeting is being held simultaneously with the GCTE meeting. Ms. Solomon did report that Mr. Pettyjohn has resigned and a national search is underway for his replacement. Ms. Abston is filling in as interim.

Guest Presentation:

The Pediatric MTP presentation is being postponed due to a death in the presenter's family.

Registry Update

Ms. Marie Probst

Ms. Probst reported that there are some invalid PRQ reports in the DPH quarterly reports. She requests that each submission be validated. She suggests each center work with DI to correct the reports. In addition, she will work with the Resource Development subcommittee to develop a new report for the FY 2017 reporting year.

OEMS/T Update

Ms. Renee Morgan

No report as Ms. Morgan was attending the Trauma Commission meeting being held simultaneously with the GCTE meeting.

Georgia Trauma Foundation

Ms. Lori Mabry

No additional report other than the prior discussion regarding TAG.

Announcements:

- 1) Ms. Medeiros, Mr. Sargent, Ms. Atkins and Ms. Morgan presented a poster showcasing the successful structure of the GCTE at the TCAA conference. They showed an 82% increase in PI projects and 36% increase in education state-wide attributed to the GCTE.
- 2) The GA TQIP Collaborative presented for the 4th consecutive year at the TQIP annual meeting. Once again, it was well received and Ms. Atkins, Ms. Solomon and Ms. Johns represented the GS trauma centers with distinction.

- 3) Ms. Garlow is beginning research to bring TraumaCoder® to the state at a discounted rate. It is a web based program that facilitates ICD-9 & 10 codes as well as AIS in a single program if the GCTE is interested. There was support for this idea was generated.
- 4) Ms. Garlow is also exploring the opportunity to use the GA Collaborative as a beta site for a registry validation/productivity program.

Meeting adjourned: 1:00 PM

Minutes drafted by Laura Garlow