

TRAUMA MEDICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES (Approved)

**June 19, 2024**

9:30 AM

Richard M. Flynn Fire Academy

Classroom 2

**Members Present:**

Reto Baertschiger, Craig Clough, Eileen Duggan, Mark Kromer, Caroline Lavoie, Kyle Levesque, Tony Maggio, Jen Marcotte, Eric Martin, Neil Moore, Lisa Patterson, Tom Trimarco

**Members Absent:**

Joel Coelho, Brett Sweeney

**NH FST&EMS Staff:**

Joanne Lahaie, Mike Mulhern, Justin Romanello, Walter Trachim, Crystal Tuttle

Meeting called to order at 9:30 AM by Chair Martin.

**1) Welcome/Membership**

**Item 1.** Upcoming expiration for Tom Trimarco, 11.30.24.

**2) Approval of the minutes**

**A motion was made (Clough/Kromer) to approve the April 17, 2024 minutes. All in favor, none opposed.**

**3) BUREAU REPORTS**

- a) Upcoming meetings on July 18<sup>th</sup> for MCB & CB, privacy committee meeting for June 26<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled.
- b) Protocols 9.0 were released with a June 1, 2024 date of implementation. 81% of providers have taken the new rollout, it is the responsibility of the units to ensure their providers have taken it.
- c) Specialty services is interviewing to replace Matt Robblee.
- d) As of June 3, 2024 there are 5708 licensed providers in the state. 500 are nonaffiliated.
- e) Educational Training rules were released on May 10<sup>th</sup>, 31 instructor coordinators provide initial Ems education. The national registry has discontinued the psycho-motor exam for ALS providers, and in our rules every course must include a psycho motor element, the Division will own the ALS exam for the next 11 months in conjunction with the BLS exams. Portfolio based assessments are encouraged.
- f) Several part time positions open in operations, interviews ongoing.
- g) The EMR program is going strong, funding will be ending the first of the year.
- h) 45 active investigations in compliance currently.
- i) 500 trauma kits have been distributed to State facilities.
- j) New software for the development of protocols is being reviewed and will be announced closer to the next roll out. This will make it easier to modify etc.
- k) The work invest program had 2.5 million dollars to spend, only \$450,000 has been spent on this program. A discussion was held about why this program did not do as well as expected.

#### **4) SUBCOMMITTEE & TOPIC REPORTS**

##### **Item 1: Trauma Registry Sub-committee-Walter Trachim**

- The data group did not meet in May or June, the next meeting will be scheduled after the NTDB 2025 dictionary is released.
- 25,366 data reports were collected. Developing some reporting for the trauma registry.
- AIS (abbreviated injury scale) 2015 reporting will become mandatory from the ACS for entities that report data.
- Some issues with patient registry in some hospitals, this is being looked at.

##### **Item 2. Coordinating Board Report- Craig Clough**

- CARES presentation and discussions on how the data is utilized and funding.
- The CB voted and passed the Saf-C 8300 trauma rules as presented.
- There was also a vote to recommend to the Commissioner to remove the names of deceased providers from the compliance and licensing website who had violations.
- Discussed barriers for EMS students and ride times due to child labor laws etc.

##### **Item 3. Medical Control Board Report- Tom Trimarco**

- CARES presentation, same discussions were held as CB.

##### **Item 4. Injury Prevention Report- Jim Esdon**

- Life jacket loaner program statewide- 10 lifejackets and signage available for a loaner station.
- Identifying police departments and gun shops who would be willing to hold firearms for individuals experiencing mental health crisis. This has been implemented with some success in other states.
- Stop the Bleed kits are now in 15 schools.

##### **Item 5. Hospital Designation Subcommittee- Eric Martin**

- Discussed level 4 requirements. Ortho and general surgery requirements and anesthesia providers at some institutions.

#### **5.) OLD BUSINESS**

- Freestanding ED's discussion- Three freestanding ED's in the State currently, spoke about what requirements these ED's should have in regard to designations.

#### **6.) NEW BUSINESS**

- Medical examiners office received new CAT Scan equipment.

#### **7.) GOOD OF THE ORDER**

#### **8.) ADJOURNMENT**

- Motion made (Clough/Maggio) to adjourn 11:20 am. All in favor, none opposed.

**Next meeting is August 21, 2024**

Respectfully Submitted by Crystal Tuttle