

Northeast WI Regional Trauma Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 17, 2012

Aurora Baycare – Green Bay, Wisconsin

Introductions – all guests are welcome to the meetings.

- Guest Speaker Bonnie DeJardin, Nurse from St. Vincent Hospital presented on TCAR. A copy of the presentation (including the links to the You Tube videos) **can be found on the RTAC website www.newrtac.org**
 - Kathy Murphy will follow up on getting a local TCAR training session and will submit a funding request for 1Q 2013.
- Spinal immobilization and injuries presentation will be tabled until the next meeting.

General Membership Meeting

The Executive Council (11 present for a quorum) and general membership meeting of the NEW RTAC was called to order by the Chair, Dr. Steve Stroman.

Meeting Notes

Previous Meeting Minutes and Agenda

- Mark motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes, Tim seconded the motion and it was passed by unanimous vote.
- The agenda was reviewed and approved.
 - Moved new business funding request to old business.

Old Business

- Status of funding grants
 - Bellevue Fire
 - From previous meeting minutes - \$981.28 for trauma equipment (long boards, straps, CIDS, KED) for first responders. The operation is free standing – need equipment to operate effectively.
 - Amanda made motion to approve the request, Tom seconded the request.
 - Discussion around total cost. Professional CIDS are expensive and there is no guarantee to have it returned.
 - Motion passes

Reports

- STAC Meeting – Dave Taylor
 - SMART Triage Demo
 - Participants that attended the training spoke about their experience – there were 28 attendees.
 - Train the trainer program
 - Have the equipment and the program - ordered \$9800 worth of tags and equipment as Colin Smart donated his time and expenses.
 - Ideas for education to EMS and hospitals
 - EMS and hospital activation systems are different.
 - The hospitals determine activation based on what EMS reports

about the patient.

- Hospital education can be done through educational binders and vice versus.
- There is an on-line course from the EMS perspective.
- Bring information to Hospital Emergency Preparedness Representatives (Emergency Management Committee) to provide information on the program.
- Direct implementation tool is available for the hospitals
- Use the Education Committee to create the formal training that can be used region wide.
 - Create a professional, standard package that is used consistently.
- Dave Taylor will work with the hospital staff to begin creating a program.
 - The hospital Emergency Management Meetings are the next Wednesday in October and in December.
- State SALT Triage Discussion
 - START is used worldwide, the state uses START, surrounding states use START but Milwaukee uses SALT.
 - Model Uniform Core Criteria (MUCC)
 - 24 core criteria determined
 - It appears to be SALT
 - SALT adds grey to the colors (after red but before black).
 - There are changes and it will be mandated.
 - A grey tag can be added to the SMART Triage System.
 - The group agreed to roll out the current system and when a grey ticket needs to be added, additional training will be provided.
 - The RTAC booth at WEMSA will focus on the SMART Triage System.
- Run Reports
 - Ongoing issues regarding written documentation due to state requirements.
 - Not available when needed, especially at the smaller services.
 - You can leave a copy of your field work sheet (make a copy of EMS' notes).
 - Tom will work with Jennifer to determine next steps and then work with Dave to get information out to the agencies.
 - A working group is being formed to address the issue at the state level as well.
- Trauma Field Triage Guidelines
 - The state wants to make sure the guidelines are being followed.
 - Dave will send it out and remind agencies and hospitals to use it.
- Trauma Plan
 - Regional organizational plan – the current plan is sufficient.
- WHEPP Report – Dave Seebart
 - Patient Tracking
 - Moving forward with patient management system
 - Installing in hospitals starting in December
 - YTRAC
 - Looking at the system again
 - Writing a new request for vendors
 - OSHA Presentation
 - Requirements for hospitals being discussed, meeting next week
 - Cellcom Heat Exhaustion

- St. Vincent defined after action report items
 - Improvement plan created
- Treasurers Report – Tom Bergmann
 - Regulatory compliance has been enhanced.
 - Aurora Baycare was the fiscal agent in the past.
 - Brown County Health Department has assumed the responsibility for this year.
 - \$1200 charge per year
 - Dave will follow up on the requirements for a fiscal agent to determine the significance of the charge.
 - There is \$49,911 for the current fiscal year
 - All money was used all money last year – there is \$400 sitting from previous years but it is allocated and the account will be closed shortly.
- Subcommittee Reports
 - Education/Injury Prevention – Tim Nowak
 - An ambulance service listing was created for each agency listing their provider level.
 - A copy of the listing will be posted to the website – www.newrtac.org
 - Performance Improvement – Jennifer Balthazar
 - No update

New Business

- Executive Council Voting
 - Pediatric Representative
 - Dr. Ralph Vardis
 - Urban EMS Representative
 - Captain Mark Madigan
 - Rural EMS Representative
 - Sue Kanack
 - Hospital Level III
 - Bonnie Parrot
 - At Large
 - Dr. Todd Nelson
 - Theresa Becker
 - Chair
 - Dr. Steve Stroman
 - Vice Chair
 - Kathy Murphy
 - Treasurer
 - Tom Bergman
 - Secretary
 - Amanda Finn
- 2013 Meeting Dates and Location
 - Times and locations will be announced
 - January 16, April 17, July 17 and October 16
 - Tom will check is the Aurora room will be available
- Announcements/New Items
 - None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43.

DT/af