

STATE OF IOWA DEPARTMENT OF
Health AND **Human**
 SERVICES

MEETING MINUTES

DIVISION	Public Health – Bureau of Emergency Medical and Trauma Services		
MEETING TITLE	Trauma System Advisory Council (TSAC)		
FACILITATOR	Margot McComas, Bureau Chief		
DATE	04/18/2023	TIME	1300-1600
LOCATION	Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81341435487?pwd=YU0wVnVOOGZkUkFidlFSYkUwTWVmZU09		

MEETING OBJECTIVES

TSAC serves in a leadership role to develop and support the trauma system. The committee provides recommendations to the Iowa Department of Health and Human Services on issues and strategies to achieve optimal trauma care delivery throughout the state of Iowa.

MEETING PARTICIPANTS (Voting Members)

Name	Organization	P / A / E
Jeri Babb	Urban ITC	P
Anthony Camodeca, DO	ACEP	P
Veronica Fuhs	IHA – Hospital Administrator	P
Kenny Hansen	Rural ITC	P
Nicole Nigg *Vice-Chair	Rehab Services	P
Carlos Pelaez, MD, FACS *Chair	ACS, Iowa	P
Sarah Solt	IEMSA	P

AGENDA TOPIC

ITEMS

Introductions and welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice-chair Nikki Nigg called the meeting to order @ 1300. Voting Member attendance recorded – a quorum was present. 85 participants total.
Review of Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Camodeca motioned to approve the January 17, 2023 meeting minutes. Veronica Fuhs seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
Subcommittee Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification • System Development • Triage & Transport • SEQIS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verification Subcommittee update by Jill Wheeler <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There haven't been any further verification meetings since the last TSAC meeting. ○ There is a shorter list of reverifications in 2023, but several focused visits that will be happening in summer and fall. We are working to get back to on-site, but virtual is still an option when the survey team has limited availability for travel. ○ Draft version of the Level III verification criteria from “charcoal book” was completed during prior verification subcommittee workshops but we are on a legislative hold ○ Waiting for ACS to release guidance for Level IV facilities. Dr. Sidwell provided ACS update that the stakeholder input survey is closed and anticipate Level IV guidance in 2024.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • System Development update by Margot McComas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ State Trauma Plan 2022-2027 completed and released publicly when IT launches it to the BEMTS website. • Triage & Transport update by Margot McComas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft OOHTTDDP is on hold due to the Red Tape review. The T&T subcommittee worked with QASP perspective when drafting the update. It is the same as what was presented at the January TSAC meeting. • SEQIS update by Margot McComas. Danny Dowd has resigned his position and there have not been any SEQIS meetings since the last January TSAC meeting. • Red Tape Review update by Margot McComas. This is in accordance with Executive Order 10. The goals of the Red Tape Review are to eliminate rules that do not provide substantiated benefits to lowans, reduce page and word counts, reduce restrictive language, and avoid repetition, as well as others. The administrative rules related to EMS and trauma are scheduled to be reviewed by December 2024. Margot is inquiring if we can provide new updates to administrative rules at that same time (i.e. “charcoal” book and OOHTTDDP).
<p>Organizational Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMSAC • ACS Committee on Trauma • Iowa Trauma Coordinators (ITC) • Iowa HHS / BEMTS • Office of Disability, Injury, & Violence Prevention • Open Partner Sharing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMSAC update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gary Merrill shared EMS Annual Report presentation. The report will be published to the BEMTS website when completed and approved. • ACS COT update by Dr. Sidwell. No new major updates from the last COT meeting. • IHA ITC update by Jen Nutt. There are 140 ITC members across the state. The Spring conference is moved to May 30th and the brochure will be launched soon. • Iowa HHS / Bureau update by Margot McComas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New State Trauma System Coordinator: Sarah Eason comes to us from MercyOne Des Moines with trauma program management experience. ○ Departure of Danny Dowd, Statistical Research Analyst. Looking to rehire into that role with an epidemiologist skillset to understand the data from statistical as well as medical perspectives. Plans to also build in some focused injury prevention work. In the interim, we are utilizing Terry Smith (EMS data management coordinator) to help fill in some of the technical skills in ImageTrend. Sarah Eason has been a great resource with hospital report-writing. This position vacancy will delay the release of the 2022 annual trauma registry report. ○ AAAM AIS15 Courses in the works (BEMTS will fund around 50 participants with about \$38,000) ○ More RTTDC books were purchased for statewide use at around \$7,000. ○ Quarterly BEMTS Newsletter launched in January. Next one is scheduled to release at the end of April. Reach out to

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	<p>jill.wheeler@idph.iowa.gov if you would like to be on the distribution list.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Legislative Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Executive Order Number Ten rules review goes along with the Red tape review ▪ Red tape review: EMS and Trauma Rules are set for completion in December 2024 ▪ SF 75 regarding Rural Emergency Hospital (REH) licensure was signed into law. Part of this states that an REH will be staffed with a 24/7 physician or APP, but no nursing requirements. Since REHs will still need to be verified as a Level IV trauma care facility, it would be a trauma program deficiency if the REH does not additionally have an RN staffed 24/7. Jenn Nutt (IHA) indicated 3 webinars will be coordinated to discuss information regarding Rural Emergency Hospitals. Initial numbers look like only 1-2 facilities are considering conversion to an REH. ▪ Governor signed reorganization bill SF 514 on April 4th, which officially brings IDPH together under the HHS umbrella. No big changes anticipated with this related to EMS and trauma. ▪ HF 595 not yet signed: EMS as secondary distributors of naloxone ▪ A new Registry Data Request pilot form was created and placed on the website. For EMS registry data requests: https://hhs.iowa.gov/BETS/EMS/data-registry and for trauma: https://hhs.iowa.gov/BETS/Trauma/data-registry ○ EMSC update: FREE virtual pediatric symposium “What About the Kids? Pediatric Disaster Preparedness” on April 25, 2023 1830-2100. It will include a presentation on disaster preparedness for children with special health care needs, as well as information and panel discussion on pediatric preparedness with a team of emergency management experts, including special issues of tribal preparedness. 2.5 hours CE credit for physicians, nurses, APPs, and EMS. Vicki.peterson@idph.iowa.gov for questions. ● Open partner sharing: no additional sharing from partners
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nothing to follow-up on.
Announcements and Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tentative Meetings for FY23-24 (New invites coming from Sarah) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ July 18, 2023 ○ October 17, 2023 ○ January 16, 2024 ○ April 16, 2024 ● Jeri Babb motioned to adjourn at 1400. Dr. Camodeca seconded. Motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at 1400.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Jill Wheeler