

Kansas Advisory Committee on Trauma Meeting

Kansas Medical Society

623 SW 10th Avenue

Topeka, Kansas

February 7, 2018

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Committee Members Present

Dr. Dennis Allin, Vice-Chair

Dr. Craig Concannon

Ron Marshall

Tina Pendergraft

Darlene Whitlock

Janet Kemmerer

Larry Salmans

Pat Lucke

Cathy Heikes

Kris Hill

Dr. Michael McClintick

Dr. Jake Breeding

Dr. Michael Machen

Dr. Kim Molik

Kendra Baldrige

Representing

KS Board of EMS

KS Medical Society

KS Hospital Assn

KS Hospital Assn

KS Nurses Assn

KS Nurses Assn

KS EMT Assn

SEKRTC Representative

SWKRTC Representative

SCKTR Representative

KS Assn of Osteopathic Medicine

NCKRTC Representative

NWKRTC Representative

KS ACSCOT

Interim Director, KS Trauma Program

Committee members not present

Dr. Paul Harrison, Chair

Dr. William Sachs

James Higgins

Dennis Mauk

John Hultgren

Carol Perry

Senator Vicki Schmidt

Senator Laura Kelly

Representative Daniel Hawkins

Representative

KS Medical Society

NEKRTC Representative

KS EMS Assn

EMS Administrators

EMS Administrators

KS Hospital Assn

Chairperson,
Public Health & Welfare Committee

Ranking Minority Member,
Public Health & Welfare Committee

Chairperson,
Health & Human Services Cmte

Ranking Minority Member,
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Guests

Dr. Osama Ismael

Miami County Medical Center

David Seastrom	Children's Mercy Hospital
Cara Magness	St. Francis Via Christi Medical Ctr
Joe House	KBEMS
Brooke Oxandale	Stormont Vail Health
Lois Towster	Overland Park Regional Medical Ctr
Diana Lippoldt	Kansas Level IV Site Surveyor
Dr. Don Fishman	Overland Park Regional Medical Ctr
Carinda Trowbridge	Providence Medical Center
Nathan Cunningham	Miami County Medical Center
Dr. James Haan	Via Christi – Wichita
Stephen Lowry	Providence Medical Center
David Acuna	WMC
Con Olson	Techs EMS
Meghan Landwehr	WMC
Randi Koehn	WMC
Dan Hudson	TUKHS
Kenna Young	LMH
Lana Martin	CMH
Dr. Greg Lakin	KDHE, Medical Officer
Farah Ahmed	KDHE
Lori Haskett	KDHE
Wendy O'Hare	KS Trauma Program
Danielle Sass	KS Trauma Program
Tracy Cleary	KS Trauma Program
Melinda Marlar	KS Trauma Program

Call to Order

Dr. Dennis Allin, Vice-Chair

Dr. Allin, Vice-Chair of the ACT, called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Dennis Allin, Vice-Chair

Minutes from the November meeting were distributed in advance of the meeting. Motion to approve made by Dr. Concannon, 2nd Dr. Michael Machen, no objections to approval. Minutes approved as written.

Introductions

Dr. Greg Lakin introduced himself as the KDHE Medical Officer. He reported that in his first month as Director, he had had recent contact with Governor Colyer, M.D. Governor Colyer is committed to introducing a collective consortium of agencies with items moving forward in the next couple of weeks. He is working to get items regulated in such a way as to not cause problems. Governor Colyer will make an announcement soon on efforts such as solving issues on drug abuse.

Kendra Baldrige introduced herself as the Interim Trauma Program Director as Carman Allen had accepted a position with the Board of EMS. Melinda Marlar was introduced as the new Trauma Registry Coordinator.

ACS Update

Dr. Kim Molik, Kansas ACSCOT

Dr. Molik presented the following: The ATLS 10th year edition will be out. ATLS update training forthcoming. There is a one-year grace period for updating skills. There will be a training event in San Antonio, TX. Pediatric Best Practice guidelines are out. Look for an update to Radiology in the next few weeks, as well as Best Practices for Imaging and Angiograms. Training for Intimate Partner Violence which also covers child abuse, elder abuse, and domestic violence at home is also in the works.

Trauma Program Update

**Kendra Baldrige, Acting
KTP Director**

- The plan to hire a new Trauma Program Director is in place and awaiting approval to go forward.
- White paper to request regulatory change for assessing an Onsite Survey Fee has been submitted to the legislative committee.
- The need for the Trauma Registry user authorization form that had been created and forwarded to all users was explained.
- The EMSC grant was submitted in January and acceptance of the grant would be known at a later date.
- Trauma registry inclusion cards will be re-designed.
- Contract discussions with Digital Innovation Inc. (DI), the provider for the Kansas Registry, continues.
- Stop the Bleed training continues across the state. More instructors would be beneficial.
- The Golden Hour of Rural Trauma Clock poster was presented as a support tool for facilities to download and place in their Emergency Department. Suggestions and concerns about the poster were expressed. It was determined that the poster needed some revisions. The updated poster will be presented at the next meeting for approval.
- Strategic Planning – Dr. Allin requested that this item needed further examination, and proposed that a subcommittee be organized to vet the original document prepared by Darlene Whitlock. Items contained in the original plan need to be re-visited or re-worked and presented to the Advisory Committee to determine what objectives the Committee would like to accomplish. Dr. Allin asked that Executive Members and one to two members from the regions' Executive Committee's volunteer to be part of the subcommittee. Darlene Whitlock and Cathy Heikes have agreed to be on the subcommittee and Wendy O'Hare will ask the Executive Councils of each region for volunteers to the subcommittee.
- Data Dictionary Update – Web Data Dictionary is under development with Danielle reviewing very soon. Local User Data Dictionary is also under review. Both documents will be presented to the Policy Group upon completion.

Level IV Trauma Center Designation

Dr. Dennis Allin

This topic will be left on the agenda for the next meeting as Dr. Paul Harrison is unavailable at this time. Several reasons that this topic will be kept on include- discussion of the resource guide and the equipment list. The equipment list was brought up for discussion by Darlene Whitlock, with Tina Pendergraft, Lois Towster, Wendy O'Hare, Kris Hill, Dr. Concannon, Dr. Hahn, and Tracy Cleary all weighing in with concerns and recommendations. It was determined that further research would be needed on whether the list was adequate, needed to be revised, and if it could be altered without Legislative approval. Dr. Allin asked if anyone would be willing to consider the matter. Darlene Whitlock, Lois Towster, Tina Pendergraft and Wendy O'Hare agreed to look into the matter.

Pediatric Trauma Center Designation

Dr. Dennis Allin

Dr. Allin commented that a committee had been formed during the last session of the Advisory Committee to consider Pediatric Trauma Center Designations. He asked if there were any updates. Dr. Molik, Tracy Cleary, Kris Hill, and Darlene Whitlock, provided input on the subject. Tracy Cleary pointed out that not all designated Trauma Centers had the capacity to obtain an EMSC designation. After another round of discussion, Dr. Allin determined that not enough information existed to be able to tell a subcommittee that the Advisory Committee wanted them to move forward with criteria development.

Trauma Registry Update

**Danielle Sass, Epidemiologist
Kansas Trauma Program**

- Danielle Sass provided information regarding the Trauma Registry update to Version 5 (V5) by the vendor, Digital Innovations, Inc. (DI). The updates occurred at the beginning of the month, while local user updates were to conclude by the end of January.
- There had been some problems with the TQUIP reporting, the vendor was submitting a “patch” to fix the issue. Lois Towster commented on the issues she had had with getting in touch with DI to report problems she was experiencing.
- Danielle explained to the Committee that the ICD9 codes had been updated to the ICD10 coding.
- New in the V5 product is the ability for an EMS linkage – when the contract between EMS and DI is completed.
- The Policy Group meeting at the first of the year discussed the benchmark indicators from the reports obtained from the registry submission. There are some problems with the report variables that the vendor is working to correct, as the information on the reports is being skewed.
- The vendor has been asked to add Salina hospital to the Level III for TBI.
- Twenty individuals participated in the Policy Group discussion and it is hoped to keep growing the list of attendees.
- Dr. Allin asked if the reports were showing what should be seen, that regions were performing as needed and if the reports were showing anything out of line, was anything being learned about the patterns throughout the state. Danielle responded that the reports were showing what was expected, with the new inclusion criteria of fall injuries being reported for the elderly.
- V5 has a new feature, Driller On-Demand. By accessing this report, and selecting various components, information can be gathered and sorted numerous ways.
- Danielle commented that part of the annual report that will be presented at the state symposium will be the Driller On-Demand offerings of reports at the state level.
- Discussed by Dr. Molik, Lois Towster, Danielle, Darlene Whitlock, and Dr. Allin were the incidences of child abuse.
- Dr. Acuna introduced the topic of tracking various elements in the Registry that would help to improve patient transfers, from the beginning of the trauma to ending at a facility capable of providing appropriate care to the patient. Dr. Concannon weighed in on the discussion, as well as Danielle, Dr. Allin, Tina Pendergraft, and Cathy Heikes.

Additional Announcements and Comments

Dr. Molik queried the good Samaritan laws in Kansas. Dr. Machen, Darlene Whitlock, Dr. Concannon, Dr. Fishman, Dave Seastrom, Dr. Allin and Jason White discussed the issue further, with Jason looking up and reading the Kansas Statute on the law.

Darlene Whitlock asked about the ACT budget and what was the standing of the funding. Kendra Baldrige replied that she would work on a report for the next meeting of the ACT.

Regional Trauma Council Reports

NEKRTC

**Wendy O'Hare on behalf of
Dr. William Sachs**

The region is very interested in pursuing help in legislation regarding Patient Safety Organization for EMS. Dan Hudson attended a PSO boot camp in Missouri where he learned a bit more on the topic. Missouri has legislation which protects EMS when discussing patient outcomes and other pertinent information.

NE healthcare coalition members were taught Stop the Bleed by region members. Now, the HCC is looking for funding to purchase kits. They are also interested in creating a database for instructors of the course.

The NE trauma symposium will be May 1 at KaMMCO.

The next executive committee meeting is scheduled for February 12.

NCKRTC

Dr. Jake Breeding

The NC trauma symposium will be May 22 at Salina Regional.

The committee has not met since the last ACT meeting.

The next executive committee meeting will be held February 14.

NWKRTC

Dr. Michael Machen

The NW trauma symposium will be May 9 at the Buffalo Bill Cultural Center in Oakley.

Because ATLS courses are difficult to find in the western part of the state, the region is supporting Cammie Townley to attend the ATLS course coordinator class.

The next executive committee meeting will be February 14 via conference call.

SCKTR

Kris Hill

The SC trauma symposium will be April 26 at Wesley Medical Center.

The region welcomed Jack Kennedy from Pratt Regional Medical Center as the newest member of the executive committee. Jack is filling the vacant term for an administrator position.

Cara Magness was elected to be secretary of the executive committee.

The region is interested in finding out about how to better utilize its page on KDHE's website. Posting links to social media and videos have been the most prominent items discussed.

SEKRTC

Pat Lucke

The SE trauma symposium will be April 19 at The Midwest Fertilizer Agronomy Center in Chanute.

Fred Rinne is coordinating a tabletop exercise for the morning portion of the symposium and we are lining up speakers for the afternoon.

Pat Lucke displayed the region's 2018 Injury Prevention calendar for all to see.

The next meeting is February 15 via conference call.

SWKRTC

Cathy Heikes

The SW trauma symposium will be April 11 at the Ford County Sheriff's Office in Dodge City.

There were extra bleeding control kits and tourniquets from the regional Stop the Bleed project. The region accepted applications and those supplies have now been distributed.

Received notification that there are three new employees at Western Plains. They are pursuing Level 3 status, the Director of Nursing is very aggressive on that quest. The Emergency Department has a new surgeon, Dr. Adams. A meeting with the Director of Nursing will be in the near future to pursue the elevation to Level 3.

Meeting Adjourned 1:15 P.M.

2018 ACT Meeting Dates

May 2, 2018

August 15, 2018

November 7, 2018

Annual Statewide Trauma Symposium & Meeting

October 10, 2018 – Wesley Medical Center