

Alabama Trauma System

QI Workgroup Meeting

December 19, 2008 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Office of EMS & Trauma Conference Room
Montgomery, Alabama

In attendance: Joe Acker, Choona Lang, Geni Smith,
Tammie Yeldell, Robin Moore

By Phone: Alex Franklin

Not in attendance: Verla Thomas, Dr. Crawford, Beth Anderson, Dr. Campbell

Choona opened the meeting with a welcome and recap of the last meeting minutes.

Trauma System Update

Choona gave a brief update of the Alabama Trauma System.

- Regional Trauma Plans and Trauma Rules was adopted by the STAC and the State Committee of Public Health
- Regional trauma system education training is in the planning process with Joe Acker as coordinator. Southeast and East is moving forward with set up training session for their regions. David Garmon will do all the training for the Gulf Region.
- Dr. Preyear re-appointed to the STAC. Allen Foster is retiring and will be replaced with another member
- Crystal and Katherine currently working to update the ATS website.
- West Region is ready for a Town Hall Meeting. (Date TBA)

Trauma Registry Update/DI Software update

Tammie gave a brief overview of the trauma registry software progress.

- Still in the process of reviewing the web portals, data sets and report writer
- Testing date set for January 2009
- System online projected date March 2009

Benchmark Report

Robin gave a brief update of the benchmark draft report. After the sub group has established the goals and objective of each benchmark, they will be presented to the STAC for review. (See attached report)

Region QI Reports

Tammie gave a brief overview of the Potential QI reports on what should be received from the regions to the State. (See attached)

- Added age range to #7
- Changed #9
Hospital Entry Criteria (per LifeTrac ATR)
If entered admitted, transferred, discharged, disposition
Hospital entered patient's ISS

Trauma QI Flow Process and Forms

Choona gave a brief review of the revises Alabama EMS & Trauma QI Plan Process (see attached)

New Business

BREMSS Update

Joe gave a brief overview of the trauma system from 10/13-12/08/2008.
(See attached power point)

NATS Update

Alex gave a brief overview of the trauma system in North.

- Currently in the process of pulling numbers for the entire year on the trauma system.
- November numbers low-13 under triage from Huntsville Hospital-30% HEMSI not put in the system
- Communication problems within Huntsville Hospital
- In addition Huntsville Hospital would like to speak to the field staff directly instead of a related message from TCC.
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See attached project Joe Acker proposed to track under triage and to compare data on the ePCR and the LifeTrac system.

Next Meeting

January 16, 2009 10:00 a.m.-12:00 a.m. Office of EMS & Trauma Conference Room

Adjourn 11:50 a.m.

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