STAC MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 11, 2012

Location: Sabin Time: 1PM-3PM

Facilitator: Joel Schaefer

Committee members present: Walt Biffl ✓ Kyle Dahm (phone) ✓ Nancy Frizell ✓ Rob Handley ✓ Kris Hansen ✓ Charlie Mains ✓ John Nichols ✓ Laura Rappaport ✓

Committee Members Absent: Randy Lesher, Maura Proser

EMTS staff: Randy Kuykendall, Michelle Reese, Grace Sandeno, Holly Hedegaard, Margaret Mohan, Jesse Hawke, Krystel Banks

Attendees: Shirley Terry, Cassie Green, Carolyn Opatik, Tessa Meunier, Gail Finley, Jeff Schanhals, Allen Hughes, Jon Montano, Eric Schmidt, Fred Morrison, David Dreitlein, Karen Maciejko, Karen Masters, Nancy Falleur, Mark Watts, Phyllis Uribe, Denise Stong, Peggy Berkey, Tina Gemelli, Dee Crump, Sherrie Peckham, Merl Lynch, Jody Wallace, Roger Nagy, Kim Schallenberger, Linda Joseph, Dale Quimby, Ralph Vickrey, Dan Noonan

Review of Minutes: October and November 2011 Motion Robert Handley 2nd Nancy Frizell

Update on Trauma RIE

Discussion: RIE (rapid improvement event) will be a LEAN process consisting of 10 SEMTAC members that will be announced at the January 12th SEMTAC meeting. The facilitator will be Nancy McDonald and the team leader will be Randy Kuykendall. The meeting will be open to the public. The committee will be looking at issues surrounding trauma centers; they may call on subject matter experts to address objectives. There will be two 3-days sessions for the RIE teams to come up with recommendations to SEMTAC by July 2012. Some members believe this is too broad of a topic and it will be difficult to address in six days. The RIE team will narrow the scope as it begins its work.

Action Item(s): None. Information only.

Benchmark Report Update

Discussion: Focusing on people over 65 years whose primary injury is a rib fracture. Variety of other factors will be looked at as well such as if the patient had a history of smoking, various age groups, and outcomes by the facility. Will measure outcomes by fatalities, length of stay and mortality.

Action Item(s): Holly will have a presentation developed for the June trauma conference in Breckenridge.

Trauma Resources On-line & In-person

Discussion: The TNC Toolkit is new on the Trauma Program website (cotrauma.info). There are new useful links and resources regarding trauma designation, how to prepare for an onsite review, etc.

Action Item(s): None. Information only.

Keefe Waiver Application

Discussion: Requesting that Keefe's waiver be granted for another year at the SEMTAC meeting on January 12th. It is the same exact waiver request that was presented and approved at the October SEMTAC. The current waiver expires on February 3, 2012.
Action Item(s): None. Information only.

Interfacility Transfer Rule Rewrite

Discussion: The revised draft of changes to interfacility consult and transfer rules for clients with traumatic brain injuries was discussed. The goal to have the complete revised rule ready by the October 2012 meeting of the SEMTAC was identified.
Action Item(s): Looking for group to draft rules on abdominal and chest trauma much like what is being drafted for neurotrauma. Holly will look at ICD-9 codes and report at next meeting if the coding is compatible with the diagnoses discussed in the draft rule.

Next meeting

An interim meeting will be held on February 22, 2012, from 1pm – 3pm at CDPHE, in conference room C1B (Building C)

Reminder: The April 11, 2012 STAC meeting will take place in Glenwood Springs but will also be available via teleconference.