



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

TRAUMA REGISTRY SUBCOMMITTEE

Minutes

March 05, 2014

Conference call

Committee Members Present:

Amber Kyle	Jimmy McManus	Geri Rowe
Heather Kyle	Gerald Nottenkamper	Gloria Smalley
Stephanie Langston	Susan Perrigin	Lisa N. Wilson
Monica McCullum	Cherri Rickels	

Committee Members Absent:

Ginger Alford
Bobbie Knight
Courtney Stevens

Other Attendees and Guests:

Linda Horne	Judy Page
Carrie McFarland	Alicia Puckett
Norman Miller	Shyann Shirley

Conference Call Discussion 3/5/14:

Patient's Street Address

- Susan felt that we should leave the street address in. This information may be beneficial in the future. Based on the demonstration by Image Trend, using this info for plotting on a GPS Map will be useful. Norm stated that a zip code does not give all information needed. If you truly want specificity then you will need address.

New Motion: (Susan/Gloria) Keep the patient's address field. Motion carried. Vote Unanimous

Inclusion Criteria

Bullet #4 - Before we discuss removing the Alpha/Bravo criteria, we need an understanding of what the State is looking for because this criteria is intended to capture other patients besides Alpha/Bravo. Norm is concerned that the Trauma Registry is capturing more than Trauma. He stated that he personally wanted to add specificity to that criteria by adding Alpha/Bravo. Agreed that hospitals use resources but this is a small population within the hospitals.

Per Amber this criteria is defining who is trauma for us, Mississippi. Susan/Amber stated that EMS plays a big part in this and we need to make sure that they are taking patients to the appropriate place.

Jimmy asked when was the change made from “per regional protocols” to “per trauma protocols” and if these trauma protocols were state or other protocols. Gerald explained that we did not change this within the committee. The change was made at MTAC per Heather.

Jimmy asked for clarification on the last statement of the criteria, “If you are the only facility in a city/county area, this criteria may not be used if all patients are brought to you.” Gerald asked to table this discussion because Bullet #4 might be removed.

Alpha/Bravo

There was much discussion about alpha/bravo in the inclusion criteria. Suggestions included removing alpha/bravo, removing entire bullet or rewriting bullet. Susan stated that we added Air Ambulance to the criteria to measure use of the resource and we should keep Bullet #4 for the same reason.

- ***MOTION: (Amber/Heather) Remove Alpha/Bravo from Bullet #4. Motion carried. Vote unanimous.***

Per Trauma Protocol

This needs to be clarified. Whose protocol are we using? Norm asked what Regional protocols are different than the State. The State’s criteria does address using EMS protocol. The discussion at MTAC was to remove Regional protocols. Norm asked would it be clear if we changed it to State Trauma Destination guidelines. Discussion continued that there are pro/cons to leaving Regional protocols. Jimmy suggested adding Region/Trauma Protocols, Norm suggested adding State Protocols.

- ***MOTION: (Gloria/Susan) Change Bullet #4 to read: Triage per State Protocols.***

Vote: 5 yes, 3 no, 1 abstained for further discussion.

Open discussion: Gerald wanted more discussion. Per Amber we have no protocols. We only have Destination Guidelines. Should we insert the name of Appendix B?

- ***New Motion: (Amber/Gerald) Change Per trauma protocols to State Destination guidelines. Motion carried. Vote: Unanimous.***

Discussion of PCR (Patient Care Report): EMS would usually document per local protocol. Gerald stated that we have accepted this and agree to continue to use this documentation.

Discussion of last statement: If you are the only facility in a city/county area, this criteria may not be used if all patients are brought to you. Jimmy would like this removed. Rationale was that you are getting the patient anyway so this criteria would not be used. Norm stated we were looking at services and injuries that would also filter into to determining triage.

- ***Motion: (Jimmy/Amber) Remove the last sentence in Bullet #4. Motion carried. Vote: Unanimous.***

Discussion about adding "Of Injury" to Regardless of severity: Norm asked should this remain. Feels there is no need for the statement. Amber stated that the entire document is about injured patients. Norm reminded everyone that this criteria is being used by the registrar not by EMS. The statement is not for patient care. Susan feels that Registrars will confuse this with Alpha/Bravo patients. If this is not causing any harm, leave as is.

- ***Motion: Add Of Injury to Regardless of severity***
- ***Motion withdrawn***
- ***New Motion: Remove the statement Regardless of Severity***
- ***Motion withdrawn***

New Statement will read: ***Triaged (per State Trauma Destination Guidelines) to a Trauma hospital by EMS regardless of severity(Documentation on the EMS Patient Care Report(PCR) must reflect that the patient was brought to your facility for a needed resource.***

Bullet #5 – Trauma Team Activation (Alpha/Bravo)

Discussion about changing Trauma Team Activation to meet Alpha/Bravo Criteria. Consensus - it will not be changed. – **NO CHANGE**

Bullet #2 – Admission to the hospital for any length of time to any area. (This excludes patients that go to the OR from ED and are discharged home from PACU.)

Discussion about changing Admission to the hospital to any area to Admission to trauma service for any length of time. Norm stated that during surveys admitting service other than trauma is

seen at all hospitals. Amber stated according to the Green book, pg 141, 5.11 Programs that admit more than 10% of injured patients to nonsurgical services do not demonstrate the appropriateness of that practice through the PIPS process. If we include just the Trauma Services, we will miss these patients. Recommend that a policy be added within the Rules and Regs that it cannot be more than 10%. Susan feels that the PI committee can set this requirement but it should not be in Regs. Amber agrees it should not be in Regs. Norm feels it is contradictory. Page 88 in Green book: NTDB includes Hospital Admission as inclusion criteria.

- **Motion: (Amber/Monica) No change to Bullet 2. Motion carried. Vote: Unanimous.**

Consensus was to list Bullet #5 Trauma Team Activation (Alpha/Bravo) as Bullet #1 and list Bullet #4 Triage (per State Trauma Destination Guidelines) to a as Bullet #6.

Meeting adjourned.