



Texas Trauma Coordinators Forum

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING MINUTES

March 5, 2024

Embassy Suites Central, Austin Texas

Registration – Opened at 07:30 with vendors present: Anavip, BTG, Kcentra, ESO, and ImageTrend.

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Past President Rodgers at 08:02. Agendas were provided and attendance was counted as 103.

Approval of Minutes – There was a motion to approve the published November 17, 2023 General Meeting minutes by Tamara Jones with a second had by Maysoon Bader. There were not suggested revisions or edits, and the motion passed.

Presidents Announcements – *Past President Kathy Rodgers*

Ms. Rodgers informed the assembly that President Koepp was absent related to a family medical emergency.

Trauma Rules Update – Ms. Rodgers updated the membership on the latest DSHS trauma rules revision schedule including a collaborative public comment meeting on March 8, 2024. See below DSHS update for more details.

UCC Funding – Ms. Rodgers also reported the UCC funding application has been revised and contains 109 Part A questions in addition to the Part C CY22 discharge date case window.

Treasurer Report – *Jacky Betts*

Mr. Betts presented an itemized written financial report reflecting a CY23 Liabilities & Equity balance of \$17,439.89 and a current balance of \$19,599.65. He informed the participants of the importance of pre-registering for the quarterly meetings and the need to participate in hotel block booking.

Secretary Report – *Brett Dodwell*

Mr. Dodwell reported 86 current CY24 processed memberships and reminded the attendees that membership terms run for the calendar year. The membership was also encouraged to provide committee/workgroup leadership with input for their 2024 SMART goals and budgets which are due at the end of today's meeting. It was also reported that the newly purchased TTCF

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projector will be deployed at the June 11, 2024 General Assembly Meeting which will offer better viewing for the large room and attendance.

Historian Report – *Joseph Murray*

Mr. Murray introduced himself as the newly elected Historian.

At Large Report – *Danielle Sherar, Rhonda Manor-Coombes*

No report offered.

Parliamentarian Report – *Courtney Edwards*

Ms. Edwards reminded those in attendance that an evaluation and QR code have been issued to obtain today's CE offerings.

Trauma Registry NTDS Updates and Case Studies – *Brett Dodwell, Christine Campbell*

Mr. Dodwell and Ms. Campbell offered a PowerPoint presentation relating to 2024 NTDS changes, ACS 'Grey' book updates, and a case study for coding, pre-existing conditions, and hospital events. The presentation has been placed on the Registry webpage for reference.

TETAF Updates – *Dinah Welsh, Terri Rowden, Aaron Rogers*

Ms. Rowden addressed the membership with TETAF updates relating to the 157.125 rule revision process and status, in addition to the request for survey process.

Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Guidance - *Sam Vance MHA, LP, Program Manager, Texas EMS for Children*

Mr. Vance gave a presentation to those in attendance relating to the Texas EMS for Children program. The presentation has been placed on the Special Populations webpage for reference.

Breakout Meetings – The Level I/II, III, and IV Committees conducted a one-hour breakout session.

Lunch – a buffet lunch was provided to the membership and inaugural attendees participated in a TTCF in-service working lunch.

CarFit: Driver Safety for Older Adults - *Kara Thorp, Public Affairs Specialist with AAA Texas*

Ms. Thorp offered the membership a PowerPoint presentation relating to geriatric driving safety which can be accessed on the Injury Prevention webpage.

Ask the Surveyor - *Panel*

TETAF trauma surveyors led a Q/A session relating to survey operations.

External Reports

Department of State Health Services (DSHS) OEHS/TS – *Jorie Klein, Elizabeth Stevenson, Audrey Green, Katie Foarde*

Ms. Stevenson informed the membership that public comments have been extensive relating to the 157.125 rule revisions and that review of same is ongoing. It was noted that there is another opportunity for comment via pre-registration on March 8, 2024. It was also noted that the anticipated adoption date for the revised rules is May 22, 2024. There was no anticipated reported adherence/impact date which will be beholden to the adopted rules. Ms. Stevenson also reported the UCC application deadline is May 1, 2024 and that the expanded Part A of the

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application was designed to estimate and address the cost and support required to operate a designated trauma facility. She also noted that Part A of the application has little to no correlation to Part C of the application. The membership requested that future DSHS reports to TTCF attendees contain a trauma facility designation count by trauma level as was done in the past.

Trauma Registry – *Gavin Sussman*

Mr. Sussman reported that the state registry software platform was migrated in November 2023 and that work continues on working out challenges to same. It was noted that new feedback reports have been launched to enhance data from submitted records to stakeholders. It was also noted that previously submitted records can be resubmitted if they have been revised and that identification of individual records that are rejected and/or contain errors is being worked on.

Pediatric Readiness Project – *Dr. Remick, Sally Snow*

Dr. Remick and Ms. Snow presented the membership with a PowerPoint presentation relating to the Pediatric Readiness Project. The presentation can be accessed via the TTCF Special Populations webpage.

Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) – *Courtney Edwards*

Ms. Edwards informed attendees that there is an 'Pediatric Readiness' icon now located on the ENA website and that there is a hybrid class scheduled for July 12, 2024.

Society of Trauma Nurses (STN) – *Courtney Edwards*

Ms. Edwards announced April 10-12 are the 'TraumaCon' dates and that the TOPIC course is now available full online.

American Trauma Society (ATS) – *Brett Dodwell*

Mr. Dodwell informed the membership that ATS has launched a 'self paced' Trauma Registry Course in addition to the numerous virtual Registry, Program Manager, Injury Prevention, ICD10, and Trauma Survivor Network courses that are accessible via the ATS website.

Trauma Centers Association of America (TCAA) – *Lori Adams*

Ms. Adams reported the national conference is scheduled for April 30 through May 1, 2024 and that there are many 'pre' and 'post' courses available surrounding the TCAA nationals.

ACS – *Chris Campbell*

Ms. Campbell announced the available survey opportunities for 2025 are being booked and advised prompt booking of any needed ACS surveys.

Stop the Bleed Coalition – *Suzanne Curran*

Ms. Curran reported the Coalition has elected a new Chair and Workgroup leaders. The anticipated STB version 3 release is March 8, 2024.

Internal Reports

Education – *Jennifer Carr, Maysoon Bader*

Ms. Carr announced that the revised 157.125 rules will be the primary focus for 2024 education and that the 2024 TTDEC course is on hold relating to the 157.125 rule adoption and potential changes to same.

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Injury Prevention – *Ashley Kopech, Amy Tucker*

Ms. Kopech reminded the attendees that May is the 2024 national trauma awareness month to include STB day May 23rd. It was also noted that the TTCF IP webpage archives many IP related resources.

Special Populations – *Kristie Brown, Lydia Camacho*

Ms. Brown noted that case study presentations relating to disabled and bariatric trauma patients are in planning for future educational offerings.

Registry – *Christine Campbell, Lori Foster*

Ms. Campbell reported that case study registry presentations are in planning as is Quality Data Plan education.

Public Relations / Legislative – *Cathy Glenn, Kristi Gamel*

No report offered.

Membership / Mentorship – *Rebecca Crocker, Jenny Olivier*

Ms. Crocker announced 8 new TTCF membership attending today's lunch meeting where the e-book was reviewed.

Fundraising / Finance – *Melanie Vanderford, Suzanne Curran*

Ms. Curran announced that TTCF merchandise continues to be developed and offered for sale at the quarterly meetings.

Level I/II – *Sheryl Cloud, Lori Robb*

Ms. Cloud announced 27 members attended today's breakout meeting where pediatric simulations, PRQ, 157.125 rules were the topics discussed.

Level III – *Laura Wagley, Colyn Turnbow*

Ms. Wagley and Ms. Turnbow reported 31 members were in attendance at today's breakout meeting where the 157.125 proposed revised rules were discussed. It was noted that there is strong input that the state rules should not supersede the ACS Level III standards.

Level IV – *Janice Markwardt, Joy Henry*

Ms. Markwardt announced 34 members in attendance at the meeting where the predominant topic discussed were also the 157.125 rules.

Adjournment – *Past President Kathy Rodgers*

There being no objections, the General Assembly Meeting was adjourned by Ms. Rodgers at 13:55.

Recorded by,

***Brett Dodwell
TTCF Secretary***