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 Minutes
 February 21, 2012, 3:00 PM ET
 KY Trauma Advisory Committee Meeting

Attendance

Title	First Name	Last Name	Representative for	Attendance
Dr.	William	Barnes	KY Medical Association	Present
Mr.	Richard	Bartlett	KY Hospital Association	Present
Dr.	Andrew	Bernard	ACS, KY COT	Absent
Dr.	Julia	Costich	Injury Prevention Programs	Present
Dr.	Mary	Fallat	Pediatric trauma	Absent
Ms.	Sandy	Tackett	Level-II Trauma Center	Present
Dr.	Brian	Harbrecht	UofL Level-I Trauma Center	Present
Ms.	Bari Lee	Mattingly	UK Level-I Trauma Center	Present
Mrs.	Linda	Gayheart	At-Large	Present
Mr.	Shane	Ratliff	KY Transportation Cab.	Present
Mrs.	Trish	Okeson	Commissioner, KY Dept for Public Health	Present
Ms.	Sharon	Mercer	KY Board of Nursing	Absent
Dr.	Richard	Cales	At-Large (Phone lines down)	Absent
Mr.	Forest	Weyen (Acting)	KY Board of EMS	Absent
Mrs.	Charlotte	O'Neal	Emergency Nurses Assn	Present
Dr.	Daniel	O'Brien	ACEP, KY Chapter	Absent
Ms.	Susan	Starling	Level-IV Trauma Center	Absent
Dr.	Russell	Travis	KY Bd of Medical Lic.	Absent
Ms.	Carol	Wright	Level-III Trauma Center	Present

Guests:

Trish Cooper, UK Trauma Registrar
 Lisa Fryman, UK Trauma Center
 Lisa Gray, St. Mary's, Evansville
 Ben Hughes, University of Louisville Hospital
 Paula Ledford, Ephraim McDowell, Ft. Logan
 Bonnie Schrock, Western Baptist Hospital
 Mary Simmons, Pikeville RMC
 Nancy Saavedra, Crittenden County Hospital

Dick Bartlett, Secretary, called the meeting to order in the absence of the Chair or Vice Chair. Dr. Bernard was working in the clinic at UK today, and didn't believe he would finish in time for the meeting.

The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed, and there were no additions or corrections. The minutes were adopted as distributed.

The updated listing of the KyTAC members is on the Trauma Care section of the KHA website for those who have not seen it. There is one vacancy at this time for the Kentucky Board of EMS seat. Both Bob Hammonds and Ashley Davis have left KBEMS. Forest Weyen, was extended an invitation to attend to represent KBEMS until a permanent replacement is named.

The first trauma development workshop work was reported last month as being successful. As of yesterday there were 32 registered for the program in Frankfort on Friday, and registration doesn't close until Wednesday afternoon. Dr. Davis, the Acting Commissioner of Health, will be addressing the group, and Trish Cooper from UK is joining the presenters. There are also good pre-registrations building for the programs in Bowling Green and Paducah. The registrations for the Corbin site are very low at this

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time. Mr. Bartlett added that if someone would like to participate in these trauma development workshops as a presenter please send an email to either Dr. Bernard or to him (trauma@kyha.com).

There was no one on line to discuss the Battered Child Prevention Program, sponsored by the two children's hospitals, so that was passed over.

There was no one on line to discuss the status of the Good Samaritan Bike and ATV Helmet Safety Programs. Ben Hughes had some preliminary information, but was not familiar with the final plans to speak to it. There was a request that the Injury Prevention team working on this push out a summary of where we are, dates and plans for these programs. Mr. Bartlett said that he had requested a budget, dates and a plan for the use of these funds.

Trish Cooper indicated that the TRAUMA REGISTRAR meeting is scheduled for March 27th from 11 AM to 1 PM at Malone's on Tate's Creek Road. She believes that there are about 26 registered from 10-12 hospitals. Trish will get with Dick Bartlett to set-up the financial arrangements now that we have the KY Chapter of ACS COT funds in place to cover those costs.

Mr. Bartlett asked that those on KyTAC, and interested parties, download the Trauma Regulations as signed and sent to the Legislative Research Commission (LRC). They should be published on March 1st in the Administrative Register. Once published there is a hearing date set, but if there is no request for a hearing, or no one wishes to testify, the process moves along to the next stage. If there is a request for a hearing then that will proceed, and the Cabinet will need to respond to the comments offered. That is then published in the next Administrative Register. Once this is done, the regulations move on to a committee of the LRC for final review. Mr. Bartlett asked if anyone who has reviewed the proposed regulations to date has heard any concerns or questions about the regulations as signed-off by the Secretary. Several indicated that they have not heard anything negative. Once these are finalized KyTAC can move on with verification of James B. Haggin and Ephraim McDowell Ft. Logan as Level-IV facilities.

It was also noted that we will need to assemble Site Visit Verification Teams for the Haggin and Ft. Logan visits in the near future. Mr. Bartlett added that if someone would like to participate on Verification Site Visit teams please send an email to either Dr. Bernard or to him (trauma@kyha.com).

There was acknowledgement that Kosair Children's Hospital has received their Level-I Pediatric Trauma Verification from ACS COT. That was a major accomplishment that has taken several years to complete, and all involved are to be complimented.

Mr. Bartlett also asked Carol Wright about the status of their Level-III re-verification. She said that they were notified last week that they are re-verified with no deficiencies. Mr. Bartlett reminded the group about a note in the last minutes where ACS COT has indicated to Taylor Regional Medical Center that they are the longest continuously verified Level-III trauma center in the nation (originally verified in 1988). This is a significant statement about their program, and kudos was offered.

As the regulations are adopted the plan is to have a public recognition of the program, and a formal presentation of Kentucky Trauma Designations to each existing facility; and recognition to the Kentucky Level-IV facilities. As some point, per the regulations, a copy of the ACS COT certificate or letter will be needed to verify that for "grandfathering" into the system. More on that as we get closer. Dr. Bernard and Mr. Bartlett are planning to discuss this with Dr. Davis on Friday while they are there for the Frankfort program.

Mr. Bartlett noted that there are a number of facilities working on trauma system development, and he has for some status updates:

Frankfort Regional Medical Center - Charlotte O'Neal said that there consultation visit is scheduled for April 12-13. That is as a Level-III facility.

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Pikeville Regional Medical Center - Sandy Tackett reported that they are still determined to do a Level-II. They have recently hired two trauma orthopedic surgeons. They are hoping to be ready for a consult visit from ACS COT in 6 to 8 months.

Spring View - no one was on the call, but Mr. Bartlett said that his last feedback was that they were moving ahead with plans for Level-III.

Crittenden County Hospital - Nancy Sevadra (apologies for the spelling) was on the call. She is the new Trauma Coordinator for the hospital. They are just starting the process for Level-IV. Since they are just getting stated (hopefully entering data this week), their target date for verification would be spring, 2014. Mr. Bartlett asked her to send him contact information so it can get posed on the website.

Trigg County Hospital - No one was on the call, but they are working on Level-IV.

Mary Breckinridge ARH - no one was on the call, but they are also interested in Level-IV. Not sure how far they have gotten since the purchase by ARH.

Three Rivers Medical Center - They indicated an interest at the Hazard workshop. No further at this time.

Medical Center Franklin - Mr. Bartlett recently has had correspondence with their new ED and Trauma Manager. Not sure which level they are planning on going after at this time.

Ben Hughes indicated that University of Louisville Hospital is scheduled for an ACS COT Level-I re-verification site visit June 25 and 26.

Carol Wright had no additional education programs to announce.

Mr. Bartlett indicated that on March 20th KHREF and the HPP program is sponsoring a Hospital-Healthcare Workplace Violence program. It will be held at Baptist Hospital East, and will be put on by the Center for Personal Protection and Safety.

There was a request by Dr. Fallat for the group to confirm the frequency and schedule of the meetings. KyTAC has been meeting on the THIRD TUESDAY at 3 PM for some time. Several participants made the comment that they had no problem with the schedule as it is currently set-up, but could go with bi-monthly. There were no motions or recommendations for a change, so the schedule will stand.

Next meeting (following the schedule) is March 20, 2012 at 3 PM ET.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard Bartlett, Secretary
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