

9-28-18 Trauma Agency Plan Ad Hoc Committee

Committee Members Participating: Dr. John McPherson, Brian Nadler, Susan Ono, Sean Sacco, Robert Spivey, Karen Thurmond, Dr. Christian Zuver

Others Participating: Lynne Drawdy, Lindsay Martin, Matt Meyers, Dr. Joe Nelson, Clint Sperber

Dr. McPherson asked if the committee had any articulated structure. Lynne stated this is not outlined in the bylaws. She stated that over the past year, the Region 5 Trauma Advisory Board drafted a regional trauma agency plan template. She stated that her understanding of the committee's role is to create a regional trauma agency plan.

The group discussed an approach. Questions were raised about creating a formal regional trauma agency plan vs. continuing with the regional trauma advisory board. The group agreed to review the Florida Statutes related to the regional trauma agencies. These were used in creating the regional trauma advisory board and drafting the agency plan template. The group discussed a focus on preparedness, and Lynne reported there is a Trauma preparedness committee. The group discussed benchmarking. Rob Spivey volunteered to reach out to the trauma agencies to see if they are willing to share data and create benchmarks.

A question was raised regarding raising the need for a regional trauma agency plan to the new statewide trauma advisory committee. Susan Ono reported that Dr. Ibrahim sits on that group. Susan asked Lynne to send Dr. Ibrahim a request from the committee asking that he raise this question at their next meeting. Clint Sperber stated that we can also ask for input from Leah Colston, who is over the DOH Office of Trauma. The group discussed raising this issue with FCOT and the state trauma program administrators.

The group discussed if we have all stakeholders engaged. Brian Nadler will reach out to the Florida Fire Chiefs Association. Lynne reported that Chief Stabile has also been working on engaging EMS and can provide a history. Lynne advised that we have created a trauma stakeholder list and can use that to identify gaps, against the list identified in the statutes.

Dr. McPherson asked the group if the committee wants to move forward in developing a trauma agency plan. The consensus was that this is the group's intent but we need to make sure that all stakeholders are aware and engaged in this effort.

Dr. McPherson suggested that the committee develop a mission statement, committee structure and communication process. Dr. McPherson, Susan and Lynne will draft a mission statement for the group following Dr. Ibrahim's discussion at the statewide meeting on October 18. The committee will then assign specific sectors of the draft regional trauma agency plan to be reviewed by members, asking that they report back to the committee on strengths/weaknesses.

Lynne reported that we will use the Trauma tab on the Coalition website to share information, as well as Constant Contact to the trauma stakeholder list.

Dr. McPherson suggested sending out an announcement similar to what the System Support Committee sent to promote participation. He asked Lynne to draft this and send it to him and Susan.

Next steps:

- Send statutes/administrative rules to the committee (Lynne)
- Contact trauma agencies re data/benchmarks (Rob Spivey)
- Contact Florida Fire Chiefs Association to engage EMS (Brian Nadler)

- Identify stakeholder gaps on the committee (Lynne will re-send the committee list and the committee will use that to identify missing members)
- Invite Leah Colston to participate in the next call (Clint)
- Send a request on the committee's behalf to Dr. Ibrahim asking him to discuss the creation of a regional trauma agency during the next statewide trauma meeting (Lynne)
- Draft committee mission statement (Dr. McPherson, Susan, Lynne)
- Draft ad hoc committee announcement (Lynne to draft and send to Dr. McPherson and Susan)

The next call is scheduled for October 12.