

TRAUMA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
August 30, 2004
San Diego

M I N U T E S

Attendees:	Dr. David Hoyt	Dr. William Tuefel	Dr. Judith Brill
	Larry Karsteadt	Leonard Inch	Dr. Ramon Johnson
	Linda Raby	Dr. Michael Rossini	Barbara Duffy
	Virginia Hastings	Christy Preston	Richard Watson (phone)
	Maureen McNeil	Bonnie Sinz	Donna Nicolaus

Absent: Dr. Babatunde Jinadu, William Haug, Bob Eisenman, Carol Meyer, Dr. Jay Goldman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted.

CPR REPORT

Richard gave the committee an overview of what the CPR report contained as it related to EMSA and indicated that recommendations from the report are currently being reviewed and public testimony gathered. He asked the trauma continue their work on development of a statewide system.

BOARD CERTIFICATION

A question was raised by a local EMS agency of whether a physician that was board certified by the "American Association of Physician Specialists" would qualify as a "qualified specialist" under the trauma regulations. The Trauma Advisory Committee determined that the regulations do provide for other than American Board of Medical Specialties or Advisory Board for Osteopathic Specialties board certification, but that the physician must have, "successfully completed a residency program" as required in Section 100242(a)(3) of the trauma regulations.

TRAUMA REGISTRY DATA SET REVIEW

The committee reviewed the proposed trauma registry data set and generally agreed with the elements. They recommended that the data set be as close to NTDB as possible for future system coordination. Bonnie will meet with NTDB representatives to discuss issues including: principle payor source and billed hospital charges. It was agreed that the system would need to contain "de-identified" data rather than aggregate data. EMSA will prepare a proposed timeline for bringing up a state registry for the next meeting.

STATEWIDE TRAUMA SYSTEM

The group reiterated that there is not trauma coverage everywhere in the state. An idea is to divide the state into regions to better coordinate services. It was also recommended that the proposed regions relate to the already established OES regions if possible. Various issues were discussed such as: government operated helicopters operations, cross-border issues, inability to use helicopter (weather conditions), cooperation among existing resources, and financial considerations.

SSV GRANT UPDATE

Leonard reported that the update of the trauma white paper has been completed and will be released shortly.

NEXT MEETING

The next Trauma Advisory Committee Meeting will be scheduled in November.