

## **Southeast Regional Time Sensitive Emergency (TSE) Committee**

### **Meeting Minutes**

*February 18, 2015*

*Present:* Bill Morgan, Christian Surjan, Erin Shumard, Nicole Noltensmeyer, Dennis Godfrey, Darin Letzring, Eric King, Travis Smith, Curtis Sandy, Tom Mortimer, Rob Jacobson, Rosa Sherman, Lance Howell, Garrett Seibold, Jordan Marshall, Larry Campbell, Greg Vickers, and Drew McRoberts.

*Next meeting:* TBD

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#### **I. Welcome and Introductions**

Christian Surjan, TSE Program Manager, opened the meeting. All participants introduced themselves.

#### **II. Overview of the TSE program**

Bill Morgan, TSE Council Chair, gave a brief history of the Time Sensitive Emergency (TSE) program. He explained the history of the trauma program in Idaho and how the Health Quality Planning Commission worked to develop the idea for TSE. A workgroup made up of stakeholders from around the state worked in 2013 to make a proposal to the Idaho legislature. In July of 2014, a governor-appointed TSE Council began the work of creating the system. This month, that system was approved by both the House of Representatives and the Senate which put the Rules of the TSE system into place.

The TSE Council is working towards the goal of state designation over the next two or three years. Dr. Morgan explained that the purpose of the TSE designation fees is to have a self-funded system within two years. He also explained the reasons behind the Council's decision to use the 2006 ACS criteria versus the 2015 ACS criteria, as well as the need in our state for Level V Trauma Centers.

Christian Surjan explained the importance of EMS in the TSE system, especially in participating in the regional TSE committees. Two of the biggest benefits to EMS providers are education and being part of a feedback loop.

#### **III. Overview of Committees and Bylaws**

Christian Surjan gave the participants a template for developing regional committee bylaws. The template is color coded. Items in black are taken straight from Idaho Code and must remain in the bylaws. Items in green can be changed for each of the six state regions, but should remain consistent throughout each region. Items in red are for the committee's consideration. Each regional committee has the flexibility to create bylaws that work best for their region.

#### **IV. Election of Officers**

Dr. Drew McRoberts was the only volunteer for the position of Chair, Dr. Curtis Sandy was the only volunteer for the position of Vice Chair, and Rosa Sherman was the only volunteer for the position of Secretary. All those in attendance voted unanimously to accept all of the volunteers.

## **V. Q & A on Rules and Standards Manual**

Q. When will the TSE begin designating facilities?

A. The Council's goal is to begin designations in July of this year.

Q. What is the purpose of the regional committee?

A. The purposes of the regional committees are: to evaluate that assets and deficiencies in their region, to create a plan that provides the citizens of their region with the right care at the right time, and to provide a forum for peer review for the purpose of improving care and not punishment.

Q. Why did the Council switch from Utah's trauma system model to Washington's trauma system model?

A. The Council did not switch from one to the other, but instead chose to incorporate some aspects of the Washington system that made sense in Idaho.

Q. How does Preparedness fit into the system?

A. At this time, that is unknown. Each Regional TSE Committee will make that decision for their region.

Q. Can the regional committees track other things besides trauma, stroke, and STEMI?

A. Yes. Each region is free to operate in a way that works best for their region.

There were no other questions.

## **VI. Schedule Future Meetings**

Future meetings are T.B.D.

## **VII. Adjourn**