

NCRTAC PI Committee Minutes

Date: 01/21/10

Location: Aspirus Hospital, Wausau

Time: 1100 - 1210

Present: Dr. Bruce Gordon, Neil Neinast, Don Kimlicka, Dr. Mike Curtis, Ron Bohn, Crystal Lothe, Dr. Robyn Schertz, Sandy Johnson, Michael Fraley, Brenda Fellenz, & Terry Nichols.

Recorder: Terry Nichols

Confidentiality Statement:

- Members present signed the Confidentiality Statement.

Reviewed the NCRTAC's 4 PI indicators tracking, which are:

1. Scene time > 20 minutes.
2. ED LOS > 3 hours on Transfers Out.
3. Presence of the GCS (categories/EVM and totals) on the EMS run reports.
4. BackRaft usage.

The RTAC Coordinator only received submission of the 4 PI indicators from 2-3 hospitals within the NCRTAC.

Discussed the PI indicators.

- The committee requested the definitions and any exclusion criteria to be provided to the group (M. Fraley will send it out the committee members).
- The Level 3 & 4 hospitals will begin to contact the Level 2 hospitals to find out the ISS scores.

The ED LOS > 3hours (ongoing NCRTAC Indicator) refers to pts with an ISS > 15.

- Discussion occurred if it should not be limited to > 15 but the committee agreed it should be left as it is.

BackRafts:

- Shared observations of no redness on pts who were on the BackRafts.
- Suggested Back Rafts be considered from the NCRTAC due to the low volume.
- Discussion occurred why often Level 2 hospital are requesting pt be transported on backboards (ie some MTS require transport on backboards per their protocols).
- Shared Dr. Iskander has provided education for several years that it is better to get pts off the backboards sooner.
- Some members recommended more education is needed on not using backboards and not spend more money on getting more BackRafts.