Trauma Coordinators Committee

Statewide Trauma Advisory Council
Wednesday, September 3, 2025

Acronyms

- ACS: American College of Surgeons
- DHS: Department of Health Services
- ED: Emergency department
- EMS: Emergency medical services
- EMSC: Emergency medical services for children
- FTE: Full time equivalent
- LOS: Length of stay
- OFI: Opportunity for improvement

Agenda

- Call to order and introductions
- Review and approve June 2025 meeting minutes
- Reports and data highlights
- Meetings and trainings upcoming
- DHS 118 update
- Growth potential and OFI trends
- Dashboard utilization example from SSM Health
- Public comment related to the Wisconsin Trauma Care System

Committee Members

- Co-Chairs:
  - **Lisa Heinz**, Aurora Summit, Region 7, Level II
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Approval of minutes

Reports and data highlight

Updates and New Reports

- Annual Trauma report – posted
- Pre-Hospital Hemorrhage Control Emerging Trends – update to come
- Wisconsin EMS and Falls Report – update to come
- Drive time map – anticipated update for December 2025
- Injury morality report – new report

Data Available On Request

- Data seen in the Annual Trauma Report by Region
- Counts and crude rates of ICD-10 Cause of Injury code groups by region and year 20
- Data or graphs used in the Process Improvement or Injury Prevention dashboards for STAC

Meetings and trainings upcoming

Trauma Registry

Patient registry office hours

- September 18, 2025, 2 to 3 p.m.
- November 13, 2025, 1 to 11 a.m.
- Register via Zoom.

Trauma Registry Courses

- October 15, 2025 - data entry
- October 29, 2025 - transactional reports
- November 12, 2025 - analytical tabular reporting
- Sign up via email.

Trauma Program

Wisconsin Trauma Coordinators Network

- October 16, 2025, from 2 to 3 p.m.
- December 18, 2025, from 2 to 3 p.m.
- Register via Zoom.

Trauma Program Courses

- September 24, 2025, Trauma Program Basics (101) in Milwaukee, WI
- October 1, 2025, Trauma Program Performance Improvement (201) in Oshkosh, WI
- Register via email.

Wisconsin Admin Code ch. DHS 118 Update

Growth potential and OFI trends

Data

- Data collected from final reports since implementation of the current Wisconsin Admin Code ch. DHS 118 Appendix A criteria.
- All items are bucketed.
- Growth potentials vs OFIs implemented in spring 2025, therefore, data is general between both.

Top 5 opportunities for all

Adding FTE or personnel for the trauma program

Staff education or courses

Performance improvement and patient safety

Trauma registry data entry and performance improvement

Best practice care or process guidelines

Opportunities

General opportunities:

- Evaluate FTE of the TPM, TMD, and Trauma Registrar

- Consider leveraging your system

- Consider leveraging other ED or quality staff

- Conduct a financial analysis of your trauma program

Adding FTE or personnel for the trauma program

Opportunities

General opportunities:

- Consider education or courses for TPM, TMD, and Trauma Registrar
- Consider trauma-specific education provided to ED staff
- If you admit any injured patients, consider trauma-specific education for inpatient staff
- Consider monetary support from RTACs

Staff education or courses

Opportunities

General recommendations:

- Improving documentation of levels of review, action plans, and loop closure

- More robust audit filters

- Further develop PIPS plan

- Include trauma registry data into PIPS activities

- Education or courses related to PIPS

Performance improvement and patient safety

Opportunities

General recommendations:

- Consider utilization of the registry PI section for reviews

- Utilize data from the registry to drive PI activities

- Revise data validation plan

Trauma registry data entry and performance improvement

Opportunities

General recommendations:

- Revise guidelines to encompass national guidelines
- Further develop admission or transfer guidelines
- Inpatient care guidelines

Best practice care or process guidelines

Top 5 opportunities for centers with a new TPM

*46% of all site reviews included a new TPM!

Alcohol screening

EMS process and partnership

PRQ updates

Loop closure demonstration and documentation

System (hospital network) collaboration

Trauma registry dashboard utilization presentation

SSM Health

Public comment related to the Wisconsin Trauma Care System