



Meeting Minutes



Meeting Title	Mississippi Trauma Advisory Committee (MTAC)	
Meeting Location	VTE/In-Person	
Meeting Date	03/07/2025	
Called to Order @	10:02 am	
<p>In Attendance “☑” *Bold denotes committee members</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Duncan Donald (Chair) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Jeremy Rogers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Jonathan Wilson <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Andy Woodard <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Suzanne Joslin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Ryan Wilson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Kendall McKenzie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Clyde Deschamp <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Hugh Gamble <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Hans Tulip <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Pam Wallace <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Amber Kyle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mark Galtelli <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Tyler Blalock <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Billy Taylor <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Ben Shrivner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Jason Stacy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. David Grayson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Catherine Tyrney <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Aleta Guthrie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Brandye Vance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mark Davis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Tanya Basye <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Bob Galli <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Travis Methvin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Norman Miller <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Patrick Graham <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Kathleen Hilbun <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Kori Buflin <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Brian Hamilton <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Kim Hoover <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Juan Duchesne <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Jada Nichols <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Melanie Nunally <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Brandye Vance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Rashenda Washington <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Michelle Goreth <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Amanada Woodall <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Mike Smith
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Teresa Windham <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Stacie Graham <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Elaine Coleman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Tammy Wells <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Elizabeth “Courtney” Day <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Katianne McMillen <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Billie Collier	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Christy Berry <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Matt Edwards <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. April Walker <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Bethany McKissack <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Josh Dawson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mr. Sam Burdine <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Katianne McMillen
MSDH and MTCFSF Staff Members Present “☑”		

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I	Call to Order	Dr. Donald called the meeting to order at 10:01
II	Roll Call	Quorum met.
III	Old Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Review Minutes of Previous Meeting b. Follow up items from previous meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Trauma Registry Logins 	<p>M: Ms. Kyle 2nd: Tyler Blalock Minutes approved.</p> <p>1. All Hospitals are current with logins for the Mississippi Trauma Registry.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Office of EMS and Acute Care Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. MSDH/Office of EMS/ACS Report 	<p>Ms. Windham-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Trauma Care Trust Fund: ▶ All level Is, IIs, and IIIs have submitted their information, some were estimated amounts, and some were able to give ISS scores. They will be sent to Horne for calculations. Dr. Amber Kyle questioned when the last time the Trauma Care Trust Fund group met. Dr. Donald will get with Dr. Wilson on setting up a meeting. <p>Ms. Day-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Clinical Updates: ▶ Updated committee regarding education visits and designation surveys. ▶ 1 Level 1 designation visit completed ▶ 1 Level 2 designation visit completed ▶ 9 open corrective action plans, 4 Level 1-3's, 5 Level 4's. ▶ Level 4's, completed 4. 2 applications pending ▶ Working with the last facility in MS to complete designation. That will have all hospitals in MS designated as Trauma Centers. ▶ Scheduled 3 level III education visits and 1 Level II education visit for fall of 2025. Dr. Donald reiterated that we have 4 freestanding ERs in MS and those facilities will function as a level IV trauma center. <p>Dr. Duncan Donald: The State of the State Trauma System:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Education: Covered all current education areas and who those areas affect. He would like to expand the RTTDC

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		<p>classes for the smaller rural trauma facilities. Explain the course. The course will be offered this spring in Biloxi. Asked if we are meeting the needs of education across the state, there was discussion upon this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Quality: He explains the gold standard is trauma benchmarking. (TQIP) We currently have a few hospitals participating currently. ACS is the gold standard for trauma centers designations. He points out that we need to update the designation process and make it less subjective. He proposed a goal that all Level I, II, IIIs participate in TQIP and for all level Is and IIs to be ACS verified by 2030. Amber Kyle asked what the barriers are as to why the state has not been benchmarked up to this point. Dr. Donald points out funding and education are the issues. Discussion on this issue. ▶ Mechanisms of Injury: Pointed out the top 5 mechanisms of injuries. Discussed injury prevention events with the use of website and social media presence with MSDH and the Trauma Care Foundation. ▶ Advocacy: This has been discussed at with legislation with stop the bleed and gun violence. He thinks that the ACS needs more staff along with the Trauma Care Foundation. Discussion of the amount of funding that has been set aside for trauma. ▶ Challenges: Workforce shortage, EMS, Nurses, Transfer problems and Registry Issues. He points out the importance of the registry data to point out the trauma system in the way we need to go. He also thinks if ESO cannot give us our historical data and he proposes that all data should be current by March 2026. Amber Kyle points out another challenge is hiring and retaining Registrars. Discussion on how to improve transfers. ▶ Goals: Summarized goals from each section that was presented to the committee. Discussion of the cost of TQIP for all 23 levels I, II and III centers. <p>Amber asked to consider a statewide ACS consultation visit. She goes on to say that our state does not have the resources when it comes to rehabs. A large amount of discussion of what happens</p>

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		<p>to the patient starts out at a level I can but now go back to a lower level of care. UMMC is working on a process to get patients back to their communities. We also have no way of tracking the patients. Discussion of Repatriation. Amber asked for a focused work group centered around how to get patients back to their communities. Motion by Amber Kyle: 2nd Dr. Cyle Deschamp: All in favor, none opposed. Pam Wallis, Amber Kyle, Dr. Duncan and Billy Taylor asked to participate. Dr. Michelle Goreth brought up TQIP collaborative for the state in the future. Amber Kyle asked how and when the goals will be addressed and posted. Motion by Amber Kyle to adopt Goals Dr. Donald has presented the committee. Discussion and refinement of goals that were suggested. 2nd Tyler Blalock</p> <p>Goals Adopted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ All Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 hospitals participating in TQIP by 2030 ▶ All Level 1 and Level 2 hospitals in Mississippi System ACS Verified by 2030 ▶ Rules and Regs Revision/MSDH Certification process completed by Feb 1, 2026 ▶ Statewide Injury Prevention event ▶ Use of MSDH website, MTCSF website and social media ▶ All state registry current AND historical by March 1, 2026 ▶ Additional funding to meet system goals (TQIP, ACS Verification) ▶ State ACS verification visit by 2030. ▶ Develop a 5-year strategic plan outlining the goals above in this plan. <p>Dr. Stacy asked to add an amendment. that the goals be posted and reviewed quarterly at MTAC and make accessible to the individual hospitals. He also asked that these need to be updated on an annual basis or every 6 months. Large amount of discussion on how to track and trend this. Dr. Wilson added an amendment to develop a strategic plan. All in favor, no opposition. Motion carries.</p>

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		<p>More discussion of the top injuries for the state with Dr. Amber Kyle and Tyler Blalock. Norm Miller reports that Mississippi is tied with Rhode Island for traffic fatalities.</p>
	<p>ii. Sub-Committee/Task Group Reports</p> <p>1. Those meeting since last MTAC</p> <p>a. Trauma Funding Task Group</p> <p>b. Trauma Rules and Regulations</p> <p>c. Trauma Registry</p> <p>d. Mississippi Trauma Care System Foundation</p>	<p>Dr. Wilson – Trauma Funding Task Group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has not met since last MTAC <p>Ms. Kyle – Trauma Rules & Regulations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trauma Rules and Regulations have met 4 times since last MTAC meeting. Work group members were discussed and listed on the slide. Ms. Kyle explained everyone’s role on the committee. During the meetings Chapter 1 of rules and regs was updated along with level I-IIIs reviewed. Amber requested a special MTAC work group to meet before the next MTAC meeting to discuss changes that have been made. Dr. Donald agreed that a meeting should be set up for April so that another meeting could be scheduled for May if needed. Pam Wallis made the motion for MTAC workgroup, Amber Kyle 2nd. All in favor, no opposition. Discussion of level 3N for level III facilities that have partial capability. BMH-Oxford was used as an example. Death Review Form- this was discussed at PI Meetings. This arose from looking at other states in the US. We modeled this form after the State of Arkansas. This form would be used by all facilities for any trauma deaths in their facility, they would then go to the district level and then onto the state level so that a thorough review has taken place. Amber goes onto explain the form and the process that is used with this form. She explained that this a pilot and the end goal would be to have this form on the trauma registry as another tab, education will go out to all facilities. We hope to be able to schedule 3

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		<p>different education events to roll out this new form. Action Item: Work with BACS to set up training for Death Review form. Motion: To adopt the PI process for the Death Review form. Dr. Duncan Donald 2nd Clyde Deschamp. None opposed. Motion carries.</p> <p>Ms. Day for Ms. Langston – Trauma Registry Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly meetings • Working on request for multiple customizations for MS. • 67 facilities have entered data into the registry. • Total number of incidents from 6/1/25-12,995 • Data being entered by facilities starting from 6/1/2024. Data migration prior to 6/1/2024 is in progress. • Interface between EMS and Trauma Registry is working, still having issues that are being addressed. • Dr. Donald discussed historical data issues from ESO. • Discussed upcoming Education events throughout Mississippi in the next few months. <p>Mr. Edwards – MS Trauma Care System Foundation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Update give for education offerings across the state by trauma center levels. Reports that the number of students taught has increased over the years since 2023 to 2025. ○ Updated given for the Trauma Care Trust Fund Distribution. Total Applications received is at 80%. ○ Multiple Stop the Bleed classes across the state including schools and first responders. ○ Discussed the Trauma Symposium that will be held in Natchez on May 5th -May 7th.
IV	New Business	<p>Dr. Donald asked if there was any new business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Donald announced that Juvonda Hodge will now be the new chair for the Burn Committee and will need to be added to the agenda to give a report for MTAC.

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		<p>Dr. Amber Kyle questioned the updated ALPHA criteria and asked when the CHARLIE criteria will be implemented. Dr. Donald reported that the updated Trauma criteria has been addressed. Dr. Donald reported that Charlie criteria are under discussion at the clinical effectiveness meeting. Amber Kyle asked about reports from each district to give a report of what is going on in each district. Teresa Windham spoke up and said this could be done through Dr. Donald since each district meets for PI meetings. Teresa also asked if the CHARLIE criteria were going to be mandated. Discussion of where CHARLIE criteria would be used most often, Action Item: Come up with specific CHARLIE criteria and bring it back to the next meeting so it can be decided if CHARLIE should be mandated.</p> <p>Tyler Blalock announced the annual Nathan Steele Foundation skeet shoot will be held on May 3rd.</p>
V	Announcements	None
VI	Adjourn to Executive Session	The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am for the Executive Session.
	Next MTAC	<p>Next Meeting: June 6th, 2025</p> <p>Meeting Calendar Dates: 3/7/2025; 6/6/2025; 9/5/2025; 12/5/2025</p>

ACTION ITEMS			
#	Step	Person (s) Responsible	Due Date
1.	Develop a 5-year strategic plan outlining the goals above in this plan.	BACS	Ongoing
2.	Set up MTAC workgroup for a special meeting for Rules and Regulation discussion.	BACS	Before Next Meeting

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3.	Set up a workgroup for Repatriation of Patients to their communities.	BACS	Before Next Meeting
4.	Schedule Training for the Death Review form process.	BACS	Before Next Meeting
5.	Add Dr. Juvonda Hodge to the MTAC agenda for Burn PI Subcommittee	BACS	Before Next Meeting
6.	Develop specific CHARLIE criteria to bring back to MTAC committee.	Dr. Duncan Donald/BACS	Before Next Meeting

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