

## CONNECTICUT TRAUMA COMMITTEE MINUTES

### Connecticut Hospital Association

July 16, 2015

PRESENT: Lenworth Jacobs, Chairman; Brendan Campbell, Shea Gregg, Richard Kamin, Florence Leishman, William Marshall, Paul Possenti, Kevin Dwyer,

Dr. Jacobs called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted and approved.

Dr. Jacobs updated the members re the Hartford Consensus III re implementation of bleeding control. The article from the American College of Surgeons Bulletin was distributed to each member and a discussion was held on mass casualty events and active shooters. The shooting at a military event in Tennessee this week where several military people were killed or wounded was discussed. The 'Good Samaritan' law was discussed. The new logo 'If you see something, DO something' was shown to the members.

Dr. Jacobs then discussed the compendium which the American College of Surgeons Bulletin is publishing in the next month or two of which Dr. Jacobs is the guest editor.

Dr. Kamin was asked to describe his leadership role in DPH OEMS. He outlined that he has been very involved in training first responders, which includes police, EMS personnel, workers at the University of Connecticut, and National Guard personnel in preparedness for mass casualty events. He has utilized the tenets of Tactical Emergency Casualty Care which is the civilian version of the military Tactical Combat Casualty Care. He outlined that these training events have been extremely well received and the personnel in multiple venues are responding well to the instruction.

Dr. Jacobs discussed training of residents and other hospital personnel in the use of tourniquets. The utilization of tourniquets in the recent shark attack in South Carolina was also discussed. It was also noted that air medical personnel and LIFE STAR have successfully utilized tourniquets and hemostatic dressing and also that the State Police have had positive experience with hemorrhage control.

Dr. Marshall discussed the increasing number of assaults and shootings which his team at St. Francis Hospital has been managing. He also discussed the utilization of alias names to protect the victims of shootings in the hospital.

The Committee thought that there was a significant and real opportunity for Connecticut to take a leadership role in increasing the resilience of its citizens and enhancing the response to active shooter and mass casualty events in order to increase survival from these events.

A motion was made and unanimously passed to request that Commissioner Mullen and Commissioner Shirer promote and enhance the public health and public safety efforts to increase survival from active shooter and intentional mass casualty events.

The meeting adjourned at 3 pm. The next meeting will be September 17, 2015 at HUNTER'S AMBULANCE IN MERIDEN

Respectfully submitted,

Flo Leishman

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