

CHSP Emergency Response- After-Crash Care Emphasis Area Meeting

Tuesday, January 18, 2022
9-10:30 p.m.



Attendees:

Alyssa Johnson, Trauma Systems Manager, EMS & TS, Department of Public Health & Human Service (DPHHS)
Carol Kussman, Quality Improvement Coordinator, EMS & TA, DPHHS
Chad Newman, EMS Grant Coordinator, State Highway Traffic Safety Section (SHTSS), Montana Department of Transportation (MDT)
Janet Trethewey, Cardiac Ready Program Manager, EMS & TS, DPHHS
Maureen Ward, Injury Prevention, EMS & TS, DPHHS
Pam Langve-Davis Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan (CHSP) manager, MDT
Robin Suzor, EMSC Program Manager, EMS & TS, DPHHS
Sheila Cozzie, EMS Grant/SOAR/Teen/Motorcycle Program Manager, SHTSS, MDT
Terry Mullins, EMS & TS Supervisor, DPPHS

Meeting purpose: Access & confirm strategy activities and report implementation progress

Progress Updates

Strategy 1 - Access to the Emergency Response System; On Scene Care Training & Education

S1.1: Support Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) training for all dispatch centers.

Continue to promote training for EMD trained dispatch centers.

*Jan 2022: Initial training scheduled for June 2022 will be last course at MLEA. MLEA has determined that training was not useful as some dispatch centers do not use training. The training will be offered as an optional or an elective course. EMS staff is working on alternative training options to provide standardized training. Options include hiring additional trainers to travel and train statewide.

S1.2: Support bystander/ nonemergency personal training and education

Continue to encourage and support training.

*Jan 2022: Due to COVID formal training has been halted. Active training continues at the local level.

Strategy 2 - Safe & Rapid Transport of Crash Victims and Training of Emergency Responders

S2.1: Support ongoing education and training of emergency care responders.

Continue to encourage and support training.

*Jan 2022: Prehospital Trauma Life Support (PHTL) Training in Flathead Co & Great Falls.

*Jan 2022: Excellence in Prehospital Injury Care-TBI (EPIC): Moving forward, 49 trained instructors, 44 provider classes taught, 159 people trained (not including lectures). St. Vincent's planning to train their entire ER staff as well as surrounding agencies.

*Psychological First Aid: Lewis & Clark Co public health received funding and has requested pre-conference 8-hr training for youth physiological 1st Aid at upcoming Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium (RMRTS).

*Care for Children: 30 training statewide thru spectrum/EMS care for children.

S2.2: Secure EMS equipment and training to properly restrain and care for children (EMS for Children)

*Ongoing support and continued promotion of installation of proper pediatric restraints and emergency medical equipment for children.

S2.3: Support and promote MDT Emergency Medical Equipment Grant Program

Number of grants awarded annually (equipment /vehicles).

*FFY 2022: 7 EMS Grants awarded (5 ambulances): Three Forks, Boulder, Columbus Rural Fire, Joliet EMS, & Marion Fire District, Equipment (power load/cots & radios): Fisher River Valley Fire and Lincoln Volunteer Fire Dept & Rescue.

S2.4: Support and promote Trauma Emergency Response training for Law Enforcement Officers (LEO) & Equip Law Enforcement vehicles with basic trauma kits.

Incorporation of the 8-hour PHTLS-FR course in the Law Enforcement Academy Training Requirements *Process is under review and to be revisited. On hold.

S2.5: Support and promote Traffic Incident Management Systems (TIMS) Training

Training Goal for 2022 is 70%.

*To date 62.4% of responders trained.

Strategy 3: Hospital-Based Trauma Care

S3.1: Support ongoing education and training of the trauma team.

Continue to encourage and support training.

*ATLS: 90 people trained (5 training courses). 5 trainings courses scheduled for 2022. Instructor course training scheduled in 2022.

*Together Everyone Achieves More (TEAM) Grant: Conducted 9 TEAMs courses in 2021. Working on new grants due March 1.

*Cultural Humility (CH): Liaison is working w/ Robin Suzor. In 2021, 4 hospitals were recognized for their CH programs and available resources. Additional hospitals are working towards recognition in 2022.

S3.2: Support and further trauma center designation for all Montana facilities that care for injured persons

Increased voluntarily designated trauma centers.

* Currently 43 of 65 are designated Trauma Centers. 13 full designations and 6 focus reviews were completed as of Sept. 2021.

* Jan 2022: 21 scheduled recognition reviews planned across the State in 2022. Conducted by a Team review.

S3.3: Support and further Pediatric Ready Recognition for all Montana facilities

Increase Pediatric Ready Recognized facilities:

* Five facilities will be working towards recognition in 2022.

S3.4: Continue to support and promote the Rocky Mountain Rural Trauma Symposium (RMRTS)

Sustain and increase participant (and vendor) attendance.

*2022: Planning is underway and is scheduled for Sept 15 & 16 at the Delta Colonial in Helena.

Strategy 4- Integrate Crash, EMS, Trauma and Roadway Surveillance

S4.1: Continue to utilize and enhance ImageTrend data (EMS patient care records) to track road safety trends and to improve overall EMS system performance.

*Seven MVC-related performance measures have been added to the EMS QI framework. EMS agencies will receive progress updates twice per year on these and several other measures.

S4.2: Utilize ESO/Digital Innovations (DI) data (Trauma Registry) to analyze hospital treatment of the patient and implement performance improvement using the data

Program-specific, regional & state-wide performance improvement (PI) implemented.

*2022: Driller training planned in January. March training planned for Web Ex.

Strategy 5- Provide Statewide Injury Prevention Education to Communities Through A Collaborative Effort

S5.1: Provide guidance, support, coordination, and technical assistance to local and regional injury prevention activities.

*Prevention training is scheduled for late spring 2022.

Strategy 6- Support Laws, Policy Development and Legislation

S6.1: Support activities surrounding policies and regulations that provide for emergency care access, EMS, facility designation and care standards.

Increased awareness of EMS & Trauma System needs.

*Scheduled March Webex presented to state injury prevention. Applying for a CORESIIP/ CDC grant due by May, which includes a focus on TBI, ACES, MVTs, and suicide prevention.

Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 13, 9-10 am