

# Trauma Advisory Council

August 22, 2007

3:00 p.m.

Minutes

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Clint Evans  
Dr. Johannes Gruenwald  
Jeremy Stogner  
Terry Collins

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Dr. James Graham  
Dr. Michael Pollock  
Dr. Wendell Pahls  
Dr. Ronald Robertson  
Dr. Roger Cagle  
Robert Williams  
K.C. Jones  
Ken Kelley  
Randall Fale

## **GUESTS**

Don Adams  
Donnie Smith  
Laura Guthrie  
Renee Mallory  
Bo Ryall  
Terri L. Root  
Dr. Talmage Holmes

## **STAFF**

Brian Nation  
Roshada Taylor

## **I. Call to Order:**

Dr. Johannes Gruenwald called the Trauma Advisory Council meeting to order on August 22, 2007 at 3:10 p.m.

## **II. General Discussion:**

Members and guest introduced themselves.

Efforts are being made to organize a non-profit organization to support the trauma system.

Arkansas Children's Hospital's interest in obtaining trauma designation was discussed by the group. Members stated that the hospital's interest was more of a matter of "When" than "If" at this point.

Funding opportunities on the Federal level were discussed. Details about a large grant that required the state to have a system in place were reviewed by the group.

Representatives from the Hospital Association have been meeting with Representative Sumpter on a regular basis. Representative Sumpter is still interested in obtaining funding for the system and he is looking into possible funding sources.

## **III. Open Discussion:**

Problems with patient transfers were described by Jeremy Stogner. Mr. Stogner, the Council's representative from the Arkansas Emergency Nurses Association shared stories about difficulties getting trauma patients to the right facility.

A recommendation was made to form a working group to propose changes to the Rules and Regulations for Trauma Systems. Terry Collins, Dr. Clint Evans, Jeremy Stogner, and Bo Ryall volunteered to be members of the

working group. This group will meet on August 20, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. in the Arkansas Hospital Association Board Room.

**IV. Next Meeting:**

The Trauma Advisory Council will meet on Thursday, September 27, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. in room 801 of the Freeway Medical Building.

**V. Adjournment:**

Dr. Johannes Gruenwald adjourned the meeting at 3:59 p.m.