Meeting Date: 9-19-19

Dr. Dr. Gail Bradley, Chair, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present.

**Terry Mullins, Bureau Chief reported:**

As a result of the resignation of Dr. Bobrow as the State EMS Medical Director, the Bureau underwent a selection process to hire a new Medical Director. After several applicants were considered, Gail Bradley, MD was selected. Dr. Bradley was welcomed to her new position.

The annual STAB report has been delayed as a result of some data issues with a vendor. Accordingly, the report was not available in time for this meeting. It will be presented at the next STAB meeting in January.

Every five years the Bureau is required to undergo a review of existing Rules. Two portions are currently in process. They are: Ground Ambulance Vehicle Inspection and Licensure, and Air Ambulance Inspections. A third section, Ground Ambulance CON Rules are out for survey and he anticipates that approval will be received for updating those rules.

Bureau staff is in the process of investigating the operations of trauma advisory committees in other states and the results of the survey, as well as input from Arizona stakeholders, will guide the Bureau in the go forward operations of STAB.

A brief report was shown that captured limited data on the utilization of rehabilitation facilities for trauma patients. The report reflected the number of trauma patients discharged to rehab facilities for inpatient treatment, payer source, region and injury severity score. Additional data sources are being investigated to provide a more comprehensive look at the role of rehabilitation facilities for trauma patients.

**Ben Fisher, Services Section Chief reported:**

The EMS Registry and the Trauma Registry linkage is nearing completion.

The AZ-PIERS linkage with the Health Information Exchange (HIE) has been completed. Individual agencies will be contacted by the HIE for permission of those agencies to have their data uploaded into the HIE.

A Web Portal has been instituted for AZ-PIERS participants to access to avail themselves of their agency’s outcome reports.

New Bureau personnel were introduced. They were, Lance Bevins, Investigator; Julia Vinton MPH, EMS for Children; and SriVidya Mahankali MS, Biomedical Informatics.

**Vatsal Chikani, MPH reported:**

Vatsal gave a demonstration of a newly created interactive Tableau Trauma Dashboard. This dashboard, once completed will be on the Web that anyone can access. It is an interactive, and visually rich, display of data obtained from the State Trauma Registry. It is user friendly and will allow a user to view and analyze trauma data in a customizable format. Data can be mined for the entire state, or individual counties. Data fields include type of injury, age ranges, causes of injury, mortality, etc., etc. As the development requires the State’s approval to post, they anticipate it will be available on the Web within the next month or so.

Various Committee reports were given.

The next meeting will be on January 23, 2020, @ 0900 hours, ADHS, 150 N. 18th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ. 85007, Conference Room 540 A, 5th Floor

(A copy of the 2020 meeting schedule for the Statutory/Standing Committee Meetings is attached)

Respectfully submitted,
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