



# Trauma Care Commission Meeting Minutes

**November 3, 2023 – 10:00 am to 12:00 pm  
IGC-S, Conference Room B**

**Commission members in attendance in-person or virtual for all or part of the meeting:** Dr. Lindsay Weaver, Joel Thacker, Ty Sullivan (proxy for Dr. Rusyniak), Dr. Erik Streib, Andy VanZee, Dr. Elizabeth Weinstein, Dr. Lewis Jacobson, Lisa Hollister, Dr. David Welsh, Dr. Scott Thomas, Dr. Jay Woodland and Dr. Matthew Landman

**Commission members not in attendance:** Dr. Emily Fitz and Dr. Matthew Landman

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Needed	Action on Follow-up Items
1. Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions Dr. Lindsay Weaver Chair	<p>Dr. Weaver called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and a roll call was taken to establish a quorum. She then asked Commission members attending in-person and virtually to introduce themselves.</p> <p>Dr. Weaver asked everyone in attendance for a moment of silence for Christy Claborn, Franciscan Health Indianapolis Trauma Program Manager. Christy was very passionate about the planning and development of Indiana’s statewide trauma system. She passed away unexpectedly.</p>	N/A	N/A
2. Review of Commission Dr. Lindsay Weaver Chair	<p>Dr. Weaver introduced Kendra Harper, IDOH Office of Legal Affairs, to provide a brief overview of the document outlining the Commission duties and the Open Door Law meeting requirements.</p>	N/A	N/A

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	<p>Dr. Weaver presented the Electronic Meeting Policy which requires a total of 7 in attendance with 5 of those 7 in-person to constitute a quorum. She then entertained a motion for approval. Andy VanZee moved that the Electronic Meeting Policy be approved, it was seconded by Dr. Welsh and approved unanimously by roll call vote.</p> <p>Brian Busching, Director, IDOH Trauma &amp; Injury Prevention presented proposed subcommittees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trauma Education and Outreach</li> <li>• Trauma Registry</li> <li>• Trauma Performance Improvement</li> <li>• Trauma System Planning</li> <li>• Disaster Preparedness and Military Integration</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Steib stated there is an American College of Surgeons committee that can help with military integration.</p> <p>Dr. Weaver entertained a motion for approval of these subcommittees. Joel Thacker made a motion for approval, it was seconded by Dr. Welsh and approved unanimously by roll call vote.</p> <p>He asked for members of the Commission and others in attendance to contact him if interested in being chair or</p>		

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	<p>member for one of the above-referenced subcommittees.</p> <p>Subcommittee Chair responsibilities would be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assists and supports IDOH with leadership of the subcommittee</li> <li>• Ensure subcommittee regularly meets</li> <li>• Assists with planning and deployment of activities to reach subcommittee goals</li> <li>• Reports update and activities to TCC at quarterly meetings</li> </ul> <p>He also indicated that if a subcommittee takes official action, it is subject to approval/vote of the Trauma Care Commission.</p>		
<p>3. Trauma Summit Summary Michael Lopez</p>	<p>Michael Lopez, IDOH Director of Strategy, provided a summary of the Trauma Summit that was held on August 18, 2023. This Summit established a strong emphasis on data-driven, coordinated, and sustainable systems with a focus on improving patient outcomes, access, and quality of care across the state. Additionally, there was a clear call for collaboration and inclusivity among stakeholders in the trauma care ecosystem.</p> <p>Dr. Weaver entertained a motion to approve the Trauma Summit Summary Report. Dr. Welsh made a motion for approval, it was seconded buy Dr. Woodland and passed unanimously by roll call vote.</p>	N/A	N/A

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<p>4. Trauma System Quality Improvement (QI) Funding Brian Busching, Director of IDOH Trauma &amp; Injury Prevention</p>	<p>Brian provided an overview of the Trauma System Development Request for Applications (RFA) 2024-2025 document. The application would include background/need, project description, eligibility and funding, grantee guidance, and budget, submission requirements, timeline and reporting requirements. Commission members requested minor tweaks to the application and asked for the development of a training webinar to assist those not familiar with RFAs. Dr. Weaver entertained a motion to approve the RFA with amendments requested. Dr. Jacobson moved it be approved with amendments discussed, it was seconded by Andy VanZee and passed unanimously by roll call vote.</p>	N/A	N/A
<p>5. Trauma System Plan Update Crowe, LLP Representatives</p>	<p>Ann Solzak, Susannah Heitger, Liz Schuler, and Olivia Knarr with Crowe, LLP provided an overview of the Trauma System Plan project. The goal is to research trauma system plan best practices, provide recommendations to address Indiana's trauma system needs, and develop a trauma plan for the state to address identified needs and promote a successful, comprehensive trauma system for the state. Dr. Thomas suggested they contact Arkansas and Texas for their best practices. He also noted that the American College of Surgeons consultation Committee could be contacted for additional information on best practices. The Trauma</p>	N/A	N/A

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	Care Commission will receive regular updates on the project progress.		
6. Department of Homeland Security Kraig Kinney, State Director and Counsel for EMS and Dr. Eric Yazel, State EMS Medical Director	Mr. Kinney and Dr. Yazel provided EMS updates. The Division of EMS is directly under the Department of Homeland Security and not under the State Fire Marshal. They provided updates on EMS Readiness and Workforce Development plans. November is seat belt awareness month and EMS is focusing on first responders. There was discussion on transfer delays and Dr. Streib stated the state trauma registry has data on where transfer delays are occurring.	N/A	N/A
7. Final Business	<p>Dr. Streib reported that he testified before the legislature regarding the Governor's Public Health Commission recommendations. He stated that Indiana is being watched nationally on how the additional funding for public health plays out.</p> <p>Brian suggested meeting dates for 2024. It was determined there would be meetings in January, February and April then bi-monthly after that. Dr. Weaver entertained a motion for approval of the meeting dates. Dr. Woodland made a motion to approve, it was seconded by Dr. Weinstein and approved unanimously by roll call vote.</p>	NA	NA

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8. Adjournment	Hearing no further business to come before the Commission, Dr. Weaver adjourned the meeting at 12:00 noon.	N/A	N/A