

e-Trauma Update

August 2021

STAC Considers Adding Data Elements to Trauma Registry



At their June meeting, the State Trauma Advisory Council (STAC) considered a proposal from its Strategic Initiatives Work Group to add new data elements to the trauma registry dataset in 2022.

All designated trauma hospitals report trauma data to MDH about major trauma cases that they treat. The recommendation proposes to collect additional data elements about factors that contribute to time delays when transferring trauma patients from one hospital to another.

The proposed new data elements are:

- Decision to Transfer Date/Time
- Transfer Delay: Yes/No
- Reasons for Transfer Delay

The STAC is expected to continue its discussion of this proposal at their meeting on September 14, 2021. [Review the entire proposal](#) with data dictionary definitions and **submit comments and concerns about the proposed new trauma registry data elements by August 31** to health.trauma@state.mn.us.

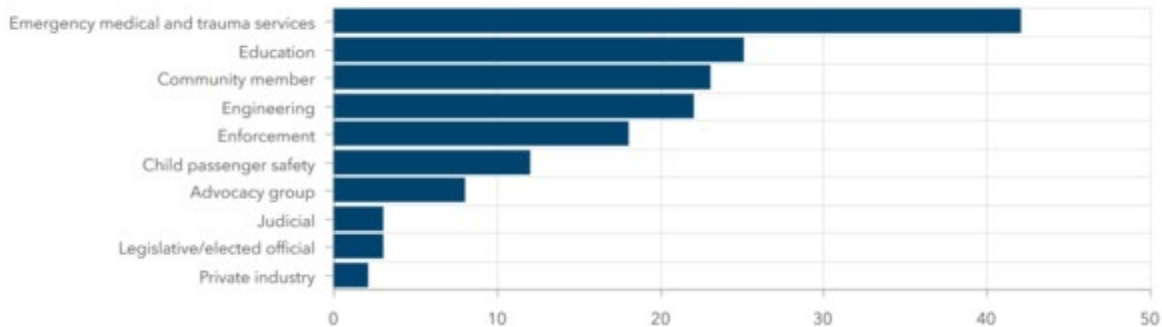
September State Trauma Advisory Council Meeting to be Conducted Remotely

The September STAC meeting will be conducted remotely via webinar on Tuesday, September 14 from 12:30-2:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public. Instruction for joining along with meeting materials will be posted on the [trauma system website](#) ahead of the meeting.

Trauma System Stakeholders Dominate TZD 2.0 Narrative

Minnesota's Toward Zero Deaths (TZD) partnerships have made great progress in reducing traffic-related deaths and serious injuries in the last 15 years. In search of those dramatic reductions of earlier years, TZD is looking to jump-start our state by re-tooling TZD. Early efforts involve intel gathering from stakeholders in which trauma system players showed their community spirit by ensuring that the emergency medical services and trauma care perspectives were well represented. Nicely done!

What is your primary stakeholder designation?



You can [monitor the progress of the TZD 2.0 initiative](#) and [view the Engagement Dashboard](#) from the TZD website.

Has Your Hospital Completed the Pediatric Readiness Survey?

The National Pediatric Readiness Project is the largest nation-wide initiative to improve emergency departments' readiness to care for children. The Project periodically assesses all of our country's emergency departments through a comprehensive survey that evaluates the readiness of each to care for ill and injured children. In 2013 Minnesota achieved a 100 percent participation rate! At the time of this publication, Minnesota emergency departments have collectively achieved only a 57 percent participation rate—better than Wisconsin, but way behind North Dakota!

The important survey measures readiness across several domains, such as policies and procedures, training and education, leadership, performance improvement and equipment. Upon completion, the hospital will immediately receive its readiness score and a gap analysis report. The de-identified, aggregated data will provide us all with a collective picture of our state's readiness, identifying areas in which we still need improvement and resources.

The deadline to complete the survey has been extended through August 31, 2021. Visit [Pediatric Readiness Project website](#) for more information and to [see if your hospital has completed the survey](#).
