

e-Trauma Update

September 2024

State Trauma Advisory Council (STAC) Updates



STAC Position Open for Appointment

MDH Commissioner of Health is looking for a Level 3 or 4 trauma program manager or coordinator to fill a seat on the State Trauma Advisory Council (STAC). The seat will be vacated by Angi Grimm, RN, who has held the seat since 2022. The appointee will complete Ms. Grimm's term, which ends on January 3, 2028, and then will be eligible for re-

appointment.

The STAC typically meets as a full council four times each year to advise the Minnesota Commissioner of Health on matters related to improving trauma care across the state. Applicants must be a trauma program manager or coordinator from one of Minnesota's designated Level 3 or 4 Trauma Hospitals. Interested candidates must apply through the [Minnesota Secretary of State website](#). The application period will be open until at least **October 11, 2024** but may remain open longer until the position is filled.

For further information, contact Maria Flor at 651-201-5614 or visit the [Statewide Trauma System website](#).

Upcoming STAC Dates

Meetings are held at North Metro Event Center/Best Western in Shoreview, MN from 12:30- 3:30 p.m.

December 3, 2024

March 4, 2025

June 3, 2025

September 9, 2025

December 9, 2025

Trauma Designations

Congratulations to the recently re-designated hospitals.

Thank you to all for your commitment to providing excellent trauma care.

Level 3:

Lakeview Hospital, Stillwater

Sanford Bemidji Medical Center

Level 4:

Cambridge Medical Center

M Health Fairview Woodwinds Hospital, Woodbury

Maple Grove Hospital

Mayo Clinic Health System- New Prague

Mayo Clinic Health System- St. James

Mercy Hospital- Unity Campus, Fridley

Winona Health Services

Performance Improvement Tips

Taking care of our own

At the recent STAC meeting, concerns for trauma care providers' welfare was acknowledged in the context of recent provider deaths.

Pre-hospital and hospital trauma team members selflessly provide care for others in difficult situations. This can become over-whelming. As you continue in your performance improvement (PI) work, please keep an eye on your colleagues. [MDH Suicide Prevention Resources](#) are available for all trauma care providers.

Coffee with the Coordinators

The next quarterly session of Coffee with the Coordinators will be held on **October 23rd** beginning at 9:30 am. These are engaging, interactive, and resource-sharing conversations among colleagues. All trauma program staff are welcome to



join. The [link to join](#) the virtual meeting is on the Trauma System website along with a [link](#) to submit your questions.

Regional Trauma Advisory Committee (RTAC) Highlights



The Southern Minnesota Regional Trauma Committee (SMRTAC) has been taking [Stop the Bleed](#) education and kits to local county fairs this summer, making stops in New Ulm (Brown County) and Owatonna (Steele County). SMRTAC members were able to connect and share this important knowledge and skill with thousands of folks, with 50 Stop the Bleed kits dispersed.



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