GETAC IP Committee Notes November 22, 2014

Call to order/Role Call
- Shelli Stephens-Stidham, Courtney Edwards, Wayne Dennis and Mary Ann Contreras present

Introduction of new members
Cassandra Dillon
Dr. Shenoi
Dr. Mark Sparkman
Cassandra Williams

Identify and list accomplishments of this committee since its inception and report back to GETAC
- CPS and booster safety booster seat legislation
- Position statement on workforce development to be voted on by GETAC on Monday
- Identifying IP programs in Texas (several years past)
- Development of the document on the Spectrum of Prevention for various injury prevention strategies for the state of Texas. It is posted on the website
- Currently produced the Hospital based Injury Prevention Components guide. There are five components recommended for hospital based injury prevention program development. To be voted on Monday night by GETAC
- The IP committee has partnered with other groups TETAF, TIPS etc. to enhance injury prevention/professional development education via conferences and collaborations

Ebola comments
- There were no Ebola comments

Acknowledgement of re-appointment for committee members
- Stewart Williams and Mary Ann Contreras will continue on the committee

TTCF update
- Courtney reported TTCF met yesterday. They are continuing to advance the Just Drive campaign. Awaiting for return and evaluation data to be complete

TETAF update
- TETAF will meet this evening. Planning for the injury prevention conference in August the Monday before the GETAC meetings begin. This will include data management, coalition building, program development.
- Legislative policy for TETAF is underway. TETF is looking at specific bills that are being filed.
- Shelli noted that HB 64 and 141 has been filed. The focus is on proposed regulation for texting and driving.
- Shelli also reported on HB 166 that allows exemption to seatbelt use for certain “medical conditions”
- February the 17th is Hill Day with TETAF- an opportunity to speak with representatives, to show a united front within the trauma system in the state.
**State trauma reports**
- Dr. Chris Drucker with the Texas Trauma Registry reported:
- Injury indicator reports including CDC requests to be presented in the GETAC February meeting
- TXDOT provisions- including reports that are useful for trauma systems. To be submitted by end of January. Goal for report to be done in April
- With regards to past reports Shelli noted there were five reports requested by Injury Prevention focusing on what is useful for EMS and trauma
- Rates were defined as per 100000
- Final testing going on in the new registry, still de-bugging
- There will be continued webinar sessions for use of the new registry
- Shelli to forward the report requests to Drucker next week
- What stakeholder reports are requested, including mechanism of injury, what is causing morbidity, high ISS, pediatric specific, drowning and geriatric morbidity

**Planning for 2015**
- With regards to the Texas EMS and Trauma Strategic Plan, the committee has submitted updated goals and objectives to GETAC in August. These goals and objectives are structured around the Spectrum of Prevention. Currently waiting for approval/recommendations from GETAC

**Injury free Texas Update**
- Injuryfreetexas.org
- Originally from the University of North Carolina. It is a one stop shop to receive policy and strategies on injury and violence prevention utilizing best practice and evidence informed approaches
- Resource links are specific to Texas
- The site is in development mode, some pages that are still being developed such as unintentional prescription overdose etc. Many areas are more complete
- This link will be added to the GETAC Injury Prevention website.
- Send resources to Shelli, she will be keeping it updated.
- Can also list conferences

**Public Comment**
- We have a large military population.. Would like to include links for resources specific to their needs, including PTSD

**National injury prevention updates**
- Development of an injury prevention/trauma curriculum for hospital based injury prevention professionals. This is with a large coalition of established groups such as the AAST, STN, EAST, and ATS. Purpose is education on injury prevention and program development. There have been a lot of contributions. It will most likely reside with ATS or STN. This project is stemming from changes in the ATS Orange book. There is a strong emphasis on more education, evaluation and evidence informed strategies for injury prevention, including a public health approach.

**Colin Crocker from DSHS**
- Announced the production of an annual report from EMS and trauma in January, leading cause of injury, to be used for community education
General public comments

Scott Christopher noted east Texas has a significant number of ATV crashes. They are producing a video for ATV safety that is to be used throughout the state. He welcomed posting on social media sites including YouTube. To be completed soon, he will bring it to the February meeting of GETAC for show.

Sally Snow announced that representative Tom Craddik is introducing a bill regarding texting and driving.

Cook Children’s is partnering with Fort Worth Fire Department in promoting helmet use with bike. Firefighters deliver helmets to hospitalized children and talk about making sure everyone has the equipment they need to do their jobs (comparing firefighting safety equipment with helmet use in biking).

Shelli announced workforce development. The National Safety Council has a Texas conference worthy of attendance. There is a planned workshop for community-based organizations. March 29-30.

List agenda items for February IP meeting:
- Injury indicators
- National injury prevention coalition information from Stewart
- GETAC information for strategies plan
- Plan for 2015

Dates for workgroup meeting
- Jan 30
- April 24
- July 31
- October 30
- Location TBD

Action items are in RED