

# e-Trauma Update

**June 2022** 

## **STAC Welcomes New Member**



Angi Grimm, R.N., has been appointed to the State Trauma Advisory Council (STAC) as the *Level 3/Level 4 Trauma Program Manager*. She replaces Maria Flor, R.N., who served in that role since 2020.

Ms. Grimm is the Trauma Program Manager for Mayo Clinic Health System's southeast region, which includes five Level 4 Trauma Hospitals. Welcome Angi!

## **New Trauma System Designation Coordinator Joins the Team!**

The statewide trauma system is excited to announce that LynMaree Harris, R.N., has joined the Minnesota Department of Health as the new designation coordinator. She will work directly with Minnesota's 130 hospitals to support them to attain and maintain trauma hospital designation.

LynMaree comes to the trauma system with almost 20 years of experience in emergency medical care and hospital leadership. Most recently she successfully led both Sanford Bemidji Medical Center's Level 3 trauma program and Sanford Bagley Medical Center's Level 4 trauma program. Welcome LynMaree!

She is taking over for Marty Forseth, who will retire on June 30. Marty served Minnesota as Designation Coordinator for more than six years. Have a great retirement, Marty!

# Orthopedic Surgeon Sought to Serve on the State Trauma Advisory Council

The Commissioner of MDH is looking to fill a position on the STAC for an orthopedic surgeon. The seat is currently held by Dr. Libby Weber, who is retiring. The person who fills the position must be an orthopedic surgeon certified by the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery or the American Osteopathic Board of Orthopedic Surgery whose practice includes trauma and who practices in a designated Level 1, 2, or 3 Trauma Hospital.

The <u>State Trauma Advisory Council</u> was established 2005 to advise, consult with and make recommendations to the Commissioner regarding the development, maintenance, and improvement of

the statewide trauma system. The multi-disciplinary council meets quarterly, and members have opportunities to serve on various work groups and subcommittees.

To apply for the orthopedic surgeon position, visit the <u>Secretary of State's website</u>. Applications are currently being accepted and will continue until the commissioner makes her appointment, but not before July 25.

For more information about the orthopedic surgeon position, contact <a href="Chris Ballard">Chris Ballard</a>, Trauma System Coordinator, at 651-201-3841.

#### **STAC Selects its Officers**

Commissioner Jan Malcolm has re-appointed Dr. Michael McGonigal as chair of the STAC after he was recommended for a second term by Council members.

The STAC also elected Tami Bong, R.N., as vice-chair of the STAC. Ms. Bong succeeds Tom Pahl, PA-C, who served in the position for the last two years.

### **2023 STAC Meeting Dates**

March 7

June 6

September 12

December 5

