



SETRAC Perinatal Committee

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TOPIC	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Eason Topic: Call to Order/Approval of Minutes	Dr. Eason welcomed everyone to the meeting. Meeting minutes from the September 11, 2024, meeting was approved with no changes. Attendance will now be tracked by going to www.setrac.org/perinatal . This is where you will also enter your code words. This meeting was in person and virtual.	The committee has no further recommendations
New Business: Presenter: Melanie Aluotto Topic: 2025 co-Chair Elections Presenter: Grace Farquhar Topic: Research Presenter: Dr. Elizabeth Eason Topic: Neonatal Committee Newborn Admission Temperature Project Presenter: Dr. Catherine Epps/Dr. Kelli Burroughs Topic: TCHMB Update OB Committee Update	Melanie announced all the candidates and the positions they are running for. She gave all the candidates the opportunity to introduce themselves. Melanie explained the voting process and shared a QR code for all members to place their vote. The elected winners will be announced at the end of this meeting. Grace informed the members that she works with all the regional data that comes in from all facilities. She stated SETRAC has decided to have a standing agenda item on all committee agenda's that is specific to research. This would be a way to make sure all members are informed on all things data. Grace shared information about upcoming perinatal presentations that will be presented at the conference in January. Dr. Eason did a presentation on the results from the TCHMB Neonatal Admission Project. She thanked all that participated. She talked about Neonatal Hypothermia as it's a contributing cause of morbidity and mortality and it remains very common. Dr. Eason stated the project was launched in April 2021; she stated the results from NAT initiative showed promising improvements. Dr. Eason reviewed slides with the data results from this project. The data that was collected was from July 2021 to September 2024 and was received from 160 hospitals across the state. She talked about the focus of the data analysis and showed charts to reflect he results. She reviewed and shared opportunities for growth. Dr. Eason talked about current and upcoming projects. The new projects currently in planning stage are- Congenital Syphilis Toolkit and New Neonatal Project: Breastfeeding & Safe Sleep. She shared information on an upcoming healthy living webinar. She informed the members that TCHMB will serve as implementation partner of Texas AIM as it was approved on November 18, 2024. She reminded all the members about the TCHMB 2025 Summit will be June 16-17,2025 and strongly suggest that all members attend this conference. Dr. Epps and Dr. Burroughs wasn't in attendance, so there is no update at this time.	The committee has no further recommendations



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Presenter: Grace Farquhar ○ Data Updates/ CEO Reports	Grace started with the SETRAC database summary. She showed data submissions from Q1-2019 to Q3-2024 for Neonatal. Grace stated the number of data submission in 2022-2023 greatly increased since the previous years; however, the number of submissions has decreased in 2024. Grace reminded the members about the workgroup that implemented a goal of having maternal and neonatal submissions at 100% beginning with 2022 data. For maternal she showed data from Q3-2021 to Q3-2024. She reminded all that Data submission is required for SETRAC participation letters. She shared the due dates for each quarter. Grace also let all members know they can contact her directly to see who is responsible from their facilities for reporting data to SETRAC. Grace.Farquhar@setrac.org. She mentioned, 2023 Hospital CEO reports were distributed to designated NICU and maternal facilities. They were sent out in mid-august. Grace informed all members, if they didn't receive CEO report, please email her directly. She stated that CEO reports now contain information for other service lines such as stroke and cardiac in one report. The reports are expected to be distributed quarterly.	The committee has no further recommendations
Presenter: Audrey Barnett & Kate Drone Topic: Neonatal & Maternal Program	Kate didn't have slides, but she recapped their meeting, which was yesterday. She stated this subcommittee reviewed all their 2024 goals and they were all met. She stated they also discussed there 2025 smart goals. Audrey and Kate shared their goals with the members. Goal #1 Education request process, Goal # 2 would be a mentoring among the program for new program managers needing extra support, and Goal#3 will be a transfer feedback process. She reminded the members that SETRAC is here to help coordinate between emergency management at all facilities when there is a natural disaster. Kate also reminded all that might be interested in Sharon co-leader role, as she is stepping down.	The committee has no further recommendations
Presenter: Jennifer Wasson Topic: Perinatal Planning Workgroup ○ EMS NRP Training ○ Perinatal Disaster Plan Project	Jennifer wasn't in attendance. Melanie gave a brief update for this workgroup. She stated there were many NRP classes in 2024 and the next class will be on January 30 th in Katy, Tx. She also mentioned the abstract that was submitted based on the NRP class data. She stated that this abstract can be seen at the upcoming conference and an email was sent out to register for this event.	The committee has no further recommendations.



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Presenter: Dr. Kelli Burroughs/ Aaron Roberts Topic: Maternal Subcommittee Update	Dr. Roberts recapped on the last subcommittee meeting. He stated they are working on a project and created a syphilis task force. He stated this is a collaboration with the neonatal and maternal groups on congenital syphilis. Dr. Roberts stated there was a very productive meeting with the Houston Health Department, where they discussed the first phases of this project. Dr. Aaron is asking that maternal program managers reach out to the Houston Health Department, as they have a very helpful hotline that can send out boxes of resources and education by request. He shared the number and email to contact Houston Health Department. He also shared other resources from this website and how beneficial it would be to all facilities to have this information. Dr. Aaron stated the other project he is working on is the managing of IV fluids. He showed some slides on the process, plan and goal. More to come on that.	The committee has no further recommendations
Presenter: Dr. Eugene Toy Maternal Mortality & Morbidity Workgroup Update	Dr. Toy started off with highlights from his latest video of best practices for maternal care. He shared a brief video with the members for review. He acknowledged the SETRAC mortality and morbidity workgroup. There was a technical issue playing to the video, he will send out a link to anyone that is interested. He stated the next project is on the best way to present on hypotensive in the ER.	The committee has no further recommendations.
Presenter: Dr. David Weisoly Topic: Neonatal Presentation	Dr. Weisoly stated, thanked the support of SETRAC, and all that will be participating in the Poster Session. He stated the poster session will be on Saturday February 1 st . Dr. Weisoly shared information on a nationwide conference Neonatal Insights-Best Evidence and Practice in Clinical Neonatology, January 31-February 2, 2025 @ Memorial Hermann, Memorial City in Houston, Texas. He briefly talked about currently working on Newborn Admission temperature project.	The committee has no further recommendations
Presenter: Dr. Ballard/Dr. Amy Tsai Topic: Infant Mortality & Morbidity Workgroup	Dr. Rebecca Ballard recapped what this workgroup is working on. She talked about the Congenital Syphilis Project. She talked about why it's so important to work with the Maternal Workgroup and the Houston Health Department on this topic. Dr. Amy Tsai showed slides and gave a reminder on why they chose to work on this project. She stated the goal is to decrease the rates of congenital syphilis. She stated, there are 20+ members in this workgroup	The committee has no further recommendations



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	including health department partners. She stated there has been a major increase in Texas and in the US for a few years. The CDC has put out Congenital Syphilis Call to Action due to the increase in syphilis in women of childbearing age. Data shows the Congenital Syphilis cases in the United States increased 755% during 2012-2021. In the state of Texas, it has increased by 300% since 2017. In July 2023 Houston Health Department issued a syphilis outbreak regarding 128% increase. Dr. Tsai shared how these effects on infants and what this can lead to, such as stillbirth, premature births or severe illness at births. Even complications later in life. She shared more information on treatments prior to delivery and infant treatment, which lowers the risk of disease but does not eliminate the risk. She shared a health department hotline# and went over things care teams can do. The goal is to improve the variation in data collection, treatment and processes involved in congenital syphilis. She shared the Houston Health Department hotline number. Dr. Tsai shared their long-term plans which included, working on a survey and proposal for data collection. The next workgroup meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2025.	
Presenter: Dr. Tiffany Molina/Dr. Rawalt Topic: Breastmilk at Discharge Project Update	Dr. Molina thanked all that participate the breastmilk and discharge work group over this year (2024). She reminded the members of the project goals. She stated that she has seen some great changes with getting the data submitted. Dr. Molina reviewed the Q1-2019-Q2-2024 NICU babies discharged on any breastmilk slides. The goal is to get at least 75% of all babies discharged on any breastmilk, we are currently at 70% percent 2024 YTD. Dr. Molina showed a slide that is concerning, with a significant drop. VLBW babies discharged on any breastmilk regional goal is >55%. In 2023 we were 57.3% in we are currently at 45.6% in 2024. She stated this is something to focus on, to get this number back up in the new year. The project aim is by 1/2025 to increase/maintain the percentage of infants discharged from SETRAC NICU's on breastmilk as follows: All NICU admits (SETRAC Goal >75%) VLBW (BW<1500g) (SETRAC Goal >55%). Dr. Molina gave a special request to all members; please don't exclude any babies from the submitted data, as we are including all babies for the data metrics. She discussed the project goals and aims, focused strategies for L&D, focused strategies for postpartum, and focused strategies for NICU. She reminded the	The committee has no further recommendations



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	members of the upcoming meeting date scheduled for February 11, 2025.	
Presenter: Dr. Nuthakki /Joy Greenberg, PHARM-D Topic: Antibiotics Project	Joy Greenberg started her presentation with a reminder of the project goals. The goal percentage of NICU infants receiving antibiotics in the first week of life more than 1h after order/birth (if order placed prior to birth). They previously voted in the meeting to update the project goal to decrease the percentage to 25% by December 2024. She discussed tiered strategies for improvement. -Hospitals are encouraged to form a combined NICU/Pharmacy Antibiotics Timeliness Task Force. – Resources can be found at www.setrac.org/perinatal . – Certificates of Merit will be awarded annually by SETRAC to units demonstrating achievement in timely antibiotics administration. she showed slides on Neonatal Data Q1-2019- Q2-2024. Currently, Q1-Q2 2024 has shown improvement, as we are currently at 29% close to the 25% goal. She asked all the members to submit the data. She showed slides on the percentage of NICU infants receiving antibiotics. She also talked about project group updates, goals and sharing hospital program success stories and struggles, as well as additional data measurement. She stated she sent out an end of the year survey due by December 23 rd . She requested that a representative from each hospital, please complete the survey, as this data is used for their poster. Joy talked about their upcoming projects – Neonatal Insights Conference abstract was accepted and - Manuscript for publication. She reminded all members of the next meeting date and time, February 11, 2025, 10-11am.	The committee has no further recommendations
Open Discussion	Melanie announced the results from the election. There was no other open discussion between the members.	The committee has no further recommendations
Adjourn / Next Meeting	Dr. Eason adjourned the meeting. Next meeting will be in person/online Wednesday, March 5, 2025, 1:00pm to 3:00pm	Code Words Snow/ Angel



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